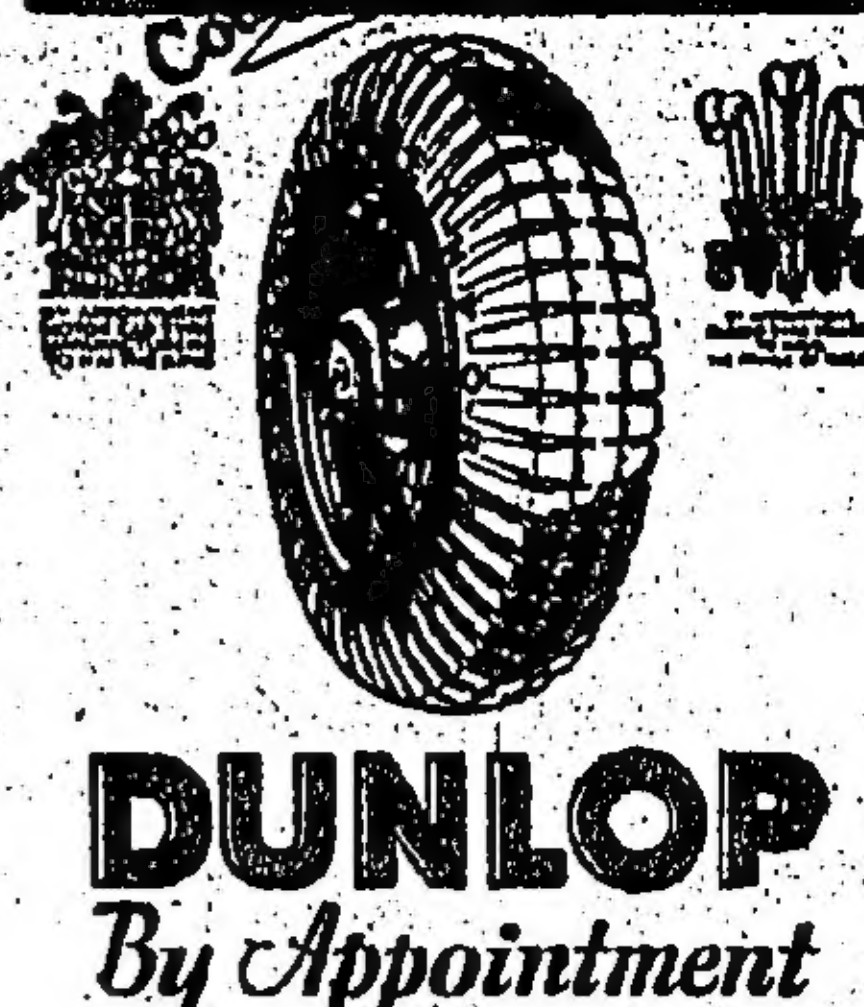


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HERRIOT RESIGNS AS CHAMBER DEFEATS MOTION TO PAY U.S.

FURIOUS MOB BEATS OFFICER IN SHAI RIOT

Farmers Demand Free
Transportation.

SEEK NANKING'S EAR.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, To-day.

A thousand farmers and villagers from the countryside, round Pongpu yesterday occupied the platform of the Shanghai North Station and demanded free passage to Nanking in order to petition the Government against the proposed new station at Chenju, which would ruin the farming districts in their area.

When officials refused transportation, the peasants camped upon the track ahead of outgoing trains.

Police were powerless to expel the mob from the station and turned a firehose on the crowd from neighbouring hydrants, whereupon one policeman was seized and badly beaten by the infuriated mob, which was finally persuaded to retire through the moving oratory of the chief of the Public Safety Bureau, after ten farmers had been given free tickets and 40 others were allowed to travel for half rates.

The 3.50 express did not pull out for Nanking until 8.10 p.m.

OIL PRODUCING NATIONS AGREE TO LIMITATION

Output And Demand
Must Balance.

RUMANIA ACCEPTS PLAN.

Paris, To-day.

The International Oil Conference has ended with a complete agreement. Rumania will join the international group in adapting production to the demand by fixing the Rumanian production at 18,500 tons daily for three months from January 1.

A communique adds that an agreement also has been reached on technical questions and upon general lines of co-operation.

The agreement is for an indefinite period, renewable every three months, owing to the impossibility of estimating the demand in advance over long periods.

It is considered that if the Russian production is reduced during the coming three months, Rumania may ask for permission to increase her output correspondingly.—Reuter.

H.M.S. CORNWALL DUE ON FRIDAY.

Suffolk On Exercises.

H. M. S. Suffolk, of the Fifth Cruiser Squadron, which has just completed her annual refit, left for Tolo Harbour on fleet exercises this morning.

She is expected back in the Colony on Friday.

H. M. S. Cornwall, also of the Fifth Cruiser Squadron, will arrive in Hong Kong on Friday. She was recently relieved in Shanghai by Devonshire.

H. M. S. Medway, accompanied by H. M. S. Bruce, flotilla leader, and the submarines Odin, Orpheus, Pandora, Olympus, Proteus, and Otus, left for fleet exercises this morning. They are expected back on Friday.

BRANDISHES REVOLVER IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mad Scramble For Exits In
Washington's Capital.

Washington, To-day.

A stranger, leaping from the gallery, held up the House of Representatives for several minutes with a loaded revolver yesterday, shouting "I want the floor."

Members rushed to exits, and people in the gallery scrambled out.

The stranger aimed his weapon at several members menacingly. But the sergeant-at-arms coolly ordered him to throw down the gun, which he did. The sergeant-at-arms caught it loaded and cocked, and police rushed the stranger out.—Reuter.

PERSIA REJECTS MEDIATION PLAN IN OIL DISPUTE

Britain's Attitude
Condemned.

DISCLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY.

Teheran, To-day.

The Persian Government does not consider the Hague court competent to examine the Anglo-Persian oil dispute, or that the optional clause is applicable to the present case; declares the Persian Government in its reply to the British note in this respect.

The government is entitled to attention from the League of Nations to the threats of pressure against it by the British Government, whose action is not compatible with the spirit of uprightness and a desire for peace.

The note disclaims all responsibility for losses to the company's hopes and interests.—Reuter.

LONDON EXCHANGE SHOWS STRENGTH.

New York Market Is
Colourless.

London, To-day.

When the London Stock Exchange closed a leading feature was the firm basis of British funds which generally rose from 3/4 to 1/2 with War Loan 3 1/2 Per Cent at 98 1/2.—British Wireless Service.

The New York market is absolutely colourless, reports Messrs. E. A. Pierce & Co. They expect it to remain within a narrow trading range until definite news appears.

Industrials, rails, utilities and bonds all showed a downward trend. Business done was on a very small scale, only 730,000 shares changing hands.

TEA RESTRICTIONS APPROVED.

New Plantings To Be
Prohibited.

London, To-day.

The Financial Times' Amsterdam Correspondent learns authoritatively that the tea restriction scheme which the Dutch and Dutch Indian planters have approved, includes restriction, in the first year, to 15 per cent of the export figures on the basis of the years 1929, 1930 or 1931, to be fixed at the option of the three participating countries.

The situation will be reviewed yearly and the scheme is to last five years, from April 1, 1933. Exports will be controlled by the governments concerned and new plantings prohibited during the period of restriction.—Reuter.

BELGIUM'S BLUNT REFUSAL

BRITAIN FIRM AS
WILLING DEBTOR

COMMONS DEBATE WON'T ALTER
CABINET PLAN

PAYMENTS DUE AMERICA TO-MORROW.

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN DEFEATED AND PREMIER HERRIOT HAS RESIGNED. HIS PROMISE TO MEET THE FRENCH WAR DEBT PAYMENT TO AMERICA, DUE TO-MORROW, EVEN ON THE CONDITIONS HE NAMED, WAS SUFFICIENT TO UNSEAT HIS ADMINISTRATION.

WHEN THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES WAS DEBATING THE DEBT ISSUE LAST NIGHT, RIOTOUS CROWDS PARADED, SHOUTING, "NOT A CENT FOR AMERICA."

Belgium has informed the United States that she will not meet her December payment under any circumstances.

Great Britain alone remains a willing debtor, and the Parliamentary debate to-day will not affect the Government's decision to pay the \$33,000,000 due to America to-morrow.

Paris, To-day.

The two-day debate on war debts in the French Chamber ended at 5 a.m. to-day, when Premier Herriot's proposal to pay the debt instalment, with reservations, was defeated by 402 to 187.

The Government's fate was practically sealed at midnight, when the socialists decided to vote against the payment.

M. Herriot, in a dramatic last minute appeal, declared that the Chamber for the sake of 418,000,000 francs, was about to break the Anglo-French brotherhood.

Anglo-French Pact.

London, To-day.

Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain announced a new financial arrangement between Great Britain and France, by which the French Government will make an annual payment of \$12,000,000 annually to Britain, in respect of war debts, irrespective of whether Germany pays indemnity to France.

A statement regarding war debt payments and their relation to the Lausanne Agreement was made in the House of Commons yesterday by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain. He was asked by Mr. Winston Churchill for assurance that the Government would in no circumstances consent to a preferential discrimination of France and Italy in favour of their war debt payments to United States, as against their payments of similar debts due to Britain; and whether he would demand equality and simultaneity of treatment for Britain from these two countries in order to prevent all payments by all countries to the United States on December 15 being made at the sole expense of Great Britain.

Replying, Mr. Chamberlain said the letter which he addressed to the French Finance Minister at Lausanne in July last stated that the United Kingdom Government would have been glad if it had been possible to cancel the French war debt as part of an all-

round cancellation, but in the actual circumstances they could not enter into any definite commitments modifying the existing war debt funding agreement.

They agreed, however, that the annuities due under the agreement should be suspended until the coming into force of the Lausanne agreement or until it has been decided not to ratify it.

The British Government earnestly trusted that the examination of the whole question of war debts in their relation to world recovery, which the United States Government had agreed to, would result in a settlement which would enable the Lausanne agreement to be ratified.

In the meantime the British Government considered it of the utmost importance that no decision should be taken at present to the effect that the Lausanne agreement could not be ratified.

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Prince & Premier Catch Colds

But Mr. MacDonald
Continues Work.

London, To-day.

The Duke of York is suffering from a cold and is confined to his room by doctor's orders.

The Prime Minister, Mr. MacDonald, who caught a cold while on the continent, remained indoors yesterday. His doctors, who paid their regular periodical visit yesterday morning found that otherwise his health was good.

He presided over the morning's cabinet meeting and hopes to attend the House of Commons to-day for the debate on the war debts.—British Wireless Service.

Planter Blown To Sea Clings For Six Days To Palm Log

Blown to sea from his plantation near Singapore by a hurricane last month, Shab Bin Ahmed Ali, after floating for six days and nights clinging to a coconut palm, was picked up by the Glen Line steamer Carnarvonshire (Captain Karney) bound for Hong Kong from London, on November 26. The liner arrived here on November 30 and Ali, in a thorough but exhausted condition, was handed over to the Police who gave him a lodging and food.

PARIS CROWDS RIOT AS DEBT DEBATE CALLED

Royalists Demand
"No Payment"

1000 HELD BY POLICE.

Paris, To-day.

While the Chamber of Deputies was debating the war debts issue, about 1,000 Royalists were taken into custody when they tried to force a police cordon in order to shout, "Not a cent for America" in front of the Chamber.

The demonstrators tore up two trees and put a tramcar out of action before police quelled the disturbance.

Three demonstrators were sent to hospital.

The prisoners were detained at the police station for an hour or two and then released.

A second Royalist raid on the Chamber at midnight was foiled by police, with 250 further temporary arrests being made, including several prominent persons among whom were M. Pujol, editor in chief of "Action Francaise," who was immediately released.—Reuter.

Herriot Faces Defeat.

Paris, To-day.

The fall of the Herriot Government is regarded as imminent. The Chamber of Deputies Finance and Foreign Affairs Committees rejected by a vote of 24 to 9 the motion for payment of the December debt instalment to America under any conditions.

This vote followed the brief French note to Washington stating that the Government of France was prepared to make the December war debt payment but only on the condition that the debt situation be immediately discussed and revised thereafter.

Even this condition the Chamber of Deputies refuses to accept. Premier Herriot's position is most delicate. France is threatening, in spite of him, to refuse to honour her signature.

Belgium Won't Pay.

Brussels, To-day.

Belgium has refused to pay the December debt instalment to the United States.

Belgium has been watching the trend of affairs in Paris and the refusal, coming bluntly as it does, is deemed significant.

HOLLAND REDUCES IMPORT QUOTA.

Textiles From Abroad
Cut By A Half.

The Hague, To-day.

By a royal decree, issued yesterday, the quota of imports of textiles has been reduced for the next nine months by 50 per cent of the average value of imports for the corresponding nine months in 1929, 1930 and 1931.—Reuter.



The leader of the unemployed in London, Wal Hannington, head of the National Unemployed Workers' Movement, who was arrested, with others, during the disturbances last month when the Hunger marchers came to town.

Amy Johnson Safe At Gao

Airwoman Rushing
Towards Home.

Gao, To-day.

Amy Johnson (Mrs. J. A. Molison) arrived here safely at 5.15 p.m. yesterday, from Dualla. She hopped off again at 8 o'clock this morning, on her return flight to England from Capetown.

Amy Johnson left Capetown at 5 p.m. on December 11 in an attempt to establish a new Cape-England air record and arrived at Mossamedes at 3.45 p.m., hours ahead of her schedule. After refuelling and brief rest, the intrepid airwoman left on a non-stop hop to Dualla.

Miss Johnson, who recently beat her husband's flight record for the England-Cape journey by 10 1/2 hours, has been waiting for favourable weather conditions before attempting present flight back to England.

Amy cabled from Dualla to her husband yesterday: "Unlucky again. Cannot arrive Wednesday." Fog had delayed her, but she left for Gao, 1000 miles north-west of Dualla, soon afterwards.

PRINCE PRAISES BRITISH SPIRIT IN DEPRESSION

Nations Sets Example
To The World.

DETERMINATION ROUSED.

London, To-day.

The Prince of Wales in a speech yesterday paid tribute to the manner in which Great Britain is fighting world depression. "The world realises," he said, "that although we are suffering like other countries during these bad times, we are not over-depressed by it. As has happened to us in the past in the great struggles of our history, the very magnitude of our difficulties has aroused the spirit of determination to overcome them."

The Prince referred to his recent visits to industrial areas and said some wonderful work was being done in developing new means of employment.

The evidence of British confidence would give confidence to other countries, and thus stimulate a general recovery in world morale and affairs, he said.—British Wireless Service.

BRITAIN ACCEPTS APOLOGY

Soviet Acknowledges
False Charges.

GOVERNMENT NOT BLAMED.

London, To-day.

The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Captain Anthony Eden, yesterday informed the House of Commons of the sequel to the recent vigorous protest which Sir John Simon had made to the Soviet Government regarding the allegations published in the newspaper, "Izvestia."

Captain Eden said that the Soviet Ambassador had made an oral communication to the Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to the effect that, while the Soviet Government only took responsibility for official communications in the "Izvestia," they desired to state that with regard to this particular incident they did not entertain and had not at any time entertained suspicions of the Foreign Secretary and of the Foreign Office which were expressed therein.

On the contrary, they disassociated themselves from any such statements. Ambassador Ladré reported this declaration, and added that he himself had communicated with the Editor of "Izvestia," who had now replied that he had been misled by one of his correspondents, and that he recognised that the statements in question were inaccurate and that he wished to express his regret for having published them.

In these circumstances the British Government regarded the matter as closed.—British Wireless Service.

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A STRONGER ATTITUDE TO JAPAN

Kuomintang Motion
At Nanking.

THIRD PLenary SESSION.

Shanghai, To-day.

A group of Shanghai members of the Central Executive Council, which left for Nanking last night, headed by the former President of the Executive Yuan, Mr. Sun Fo, carried a memorandum in which they recommended the orientation of a stronger foreign policy towards Japan and the thorough reformation of the Kuomintang.

The memorandum was signed by all the Shanghai members of the Central Executive Council, including Chang Hui-chang, ex-Director of the Canton Air Force, Admiral Chen Chieh, ex-Commander of the First Naval Squadron, Chen Ching-yun, Ma Chao-tsun and Liang Hantao.

The memorandum will be presented at the third Plenary Session of the Central Executive Council, which opens to-day at Nanking.—Reuter.

31 COMMUNIST ARRESTED.

Planned German
Revolution.

Munich, To-day.

The arrest of 31 Communists in south Bavaria, members of an armed illegal organisation is alleged to have disclosed a widespread plot to arm Bavarian Communists for a revolution all over Germany.—Reuter.



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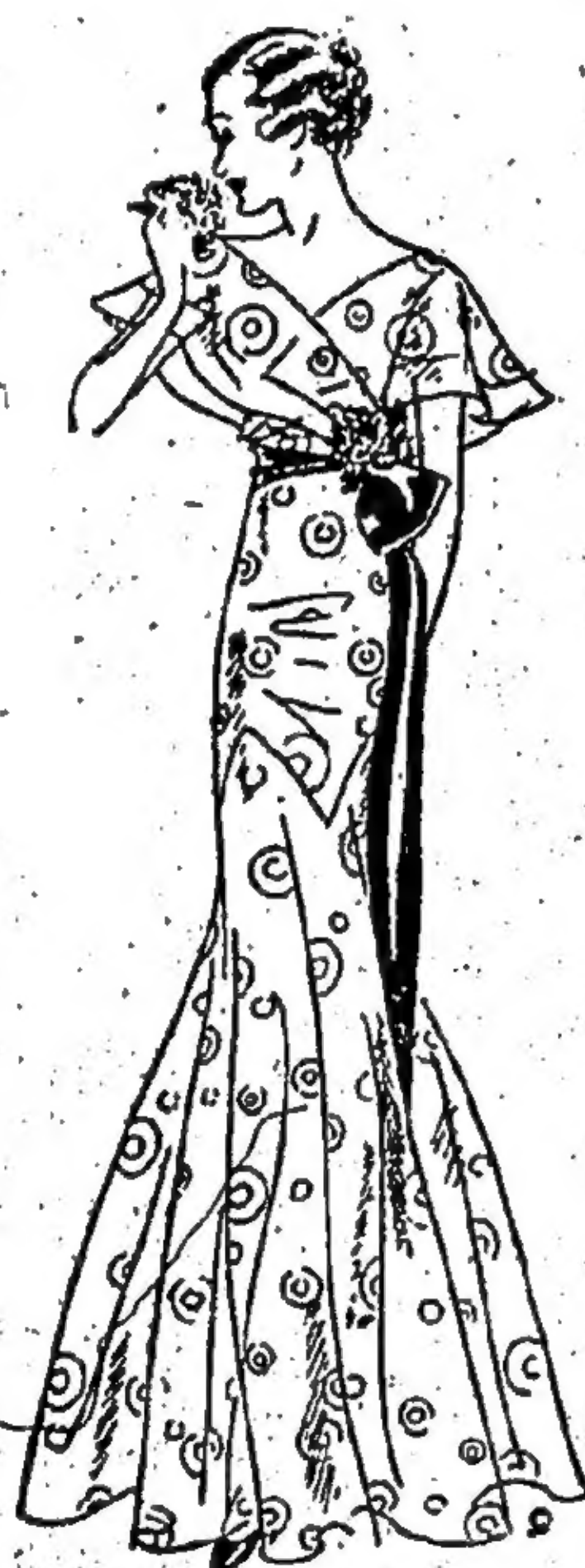
NEW DINNER GOWNS

Colour and character are introduced in many a two-in-one gown by means of little jackets, fitting in to the waistline or of bolero length. The majority strike the level of the lower ribs. They balance any suggestion of weight with the aid of sleeves—you must choose your sleeves with regard to waist and hips. Some puff at the shoulder, others below; there are exaggeratedly large ones and those that are modest in contour. This column has already made mention of the revival of leg-o-muttons and of the draped kimono-like sleeves that gather in to the waistline. They are noted in increasing numbers. Attention must again be called to the close neckline; for, as more models are released from designers' hands, fresh methods of creating it are revealed. Very ingenious are the dresses so constructed that the wearer can change the neckline to suit her taste and style. There is a modified cowl that crosses over and snaps, making a close-fitting V; another model shows a way of taking two crossed bands that fall in loose drapes and lifting them close to the throat, where they are held in place with the aid of a button at the back of the neck.

Furs Come High.
 Furs, too, are coming high; that is in terms of sartorial geography; in price they are coming down. Fur collars on cloth coats stand well up behind the head, richly framing the face. Fox—blue, black, gray, silver—is, in many instances, laid horseshoe-fashion about the shoulders. So sumptuous are some of these collars that when, on a cold day, they are drawn close about the head, it will be veritably a case of "cherchez la femme." Furs enter magnificently into the sleeve pic-

ture. Fox is used bracelet-wise, chiefly above the elbow, on many a good-looking coat. One well-known New York house has found it interesting to drape furs in such manner that only the shoulders and one sleeve are encircled. Especially attractive are the fitted astrakhan capelets that accompany woollen dresses. They are detachable and can be worn ad libitum with any outfit. With their high standing collars and turned-back points (a Directoire mood) they will be more than welcome on crisp cold days.

Dinner Gowns.
 When climbing a mountain or basking on golden sands it may be more fun to let ones thoughts linger on evening dresses for the social season's early events than on furs. Here is a new idea to play with—a woollen dinner gown.



NEW PARIS FASHIONS

Very beautiful heavy materials are being used everywhere in Paris, as in London.

Simple evening gowns in the most supple velvet have shoulder epaulets, a "waterfall" of glycerine feathers, which fall over the low-cut "V" back.

Crushed velvet, so reminiscent of mole-skin, and as soft, is shown in colours the most delicate, writes an "Evening News" correspondent.

As usual, Parisiennes are faithful to black. Many of the most distinctive evening gowns are in rich black velvet, relieved with touches of white breitschwanz.

The short, breitschwanz cross-over coat, with very large sleeves, gives a high-waisted look, which is also apparent with the Empire cross-over design shown on many of the new evening gowns. Gloves of flit net have velvet "hands," and woollen gauntlets are as gay as a jockey's coat.

Fancy clasps and buttons and clips match the frocks; some of them look enamelled. The new claret and maroon shades are very fashionable for day-time and evening.

For morning wear a smart colouring is French mustard and a shade rather like wine dregs.

MOLYNEUX'S STYLES.

Imagine, as your look at the blossom of a gorgeous geranium, a dress of exactly its hue in crepe wool, falling in soft folds to the floor. We have seen just such a one. It has a deep, overlapping panel in the front (wrap-around skirts are being extensively used) that rises in a delicately wedge-shaped point to the décolletage. With it is worn one of the much-referred-to capelets. According to present indications, black broadcloth will also make its bow at evening functions. That has been ordered by some of Mainbocher has made a very exciting model of it, so simple that it is almost tailored, yet most entertaining because of its dolman jacket with an ermine front. One of the loveliest combinations of the season is dull velvet with peau d'ange lace.

Molyneux's new evening gowns are over so much grander in effect than the majority of his evening frocks. They are cut on clinging princess lines with deep oval trains, or square necks recalling square trains, and huge double-puffed or ruffled elbow sleeves with drop-shouldered mountings. A gorgeous, trailing tuchia velvet affair, that has been ordered by some of his smartest clients, is split to the knees in front; a corsage bouquet of giant cypripediums in a darker shade of the tuchia velvet covers almost the whole front of the bodice. A white mink-velvet robe with trailing sleeves edged with sable is another favourite.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

Breakfast.
 Steward Prunes, Chilled
 Cooked Wheat Cereal Cream
 Breakfast Loaf Coffee
Luncheon.
 Bean Soup Crackers
 Celery Pickles
 Gingerbread Tea
Dinner.
 Cheese Soufflé Escalloped Cabbage
 Biscuits Honey
 Baked Chocolate Pudding
 Hard Sauce
 Coffee

Breakfast Loaf.
 3 cups flour
 2/3 teaspoon salt
 8 teaspoons baking powder
 2/3 cup sugar
 1 egg
 1 cup milk
 1/2 cup brown sugar
 1 teaspoon cinnamon
 3 tablespoons butter
 Mix flour, salt, baking powder and sugar. Add egg and milk. Pour into greased shallow pan. Spread with rest of ingredients already mixed. Bake 20 minutes.

Bean Soup.
 2 cups beans
 6 cups water
 2 tablespoons chopped onions
 8 tablespoons chopped bacon
 4 tablespoons chopped celery
 1 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 1 teaspoon chopped parsley
 3 tablespoons flour
 3 tablespoons cold water
 Wash beans, add 6 cups of water, soak over night or for 5 or 6 hours. Add salt, slowly cook beans 1 1/2 hours. Add seasonings and onions which have been browned with the bacon. Add celery. Cook 15 minutes. Mix flour and 3 tablespoons water, add to soup. Cook 2 minutes.

Cheese Soufflé, Serving 6.
 4 tablespoons butter
 6 tablespoons flour
 2 cups milk
 1 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon onion juice
 1/4 teaspoon celery salt
 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 1 cup cheese, cut fine
 5 egg yolks
 5 egg whites, beaten
 Melt butter and add flour. Mix well, add milk, cook until creamy sauce forms. Stir constantly. Add seasonings and cheese. Beat well. Add yolks, beat 2 minutes. Fold in whites. Pour into buttered dish. Set in pan of hot water. Bake 40 minutes in slow oven.

GREEN AND GOLD DINNING ROOM.

The dining-room in the new home of the Duke and Duchess of York at Royal Lodge, Windsor Park, is now completed, and presents a most charming effect. It has been carried out in green and gold, a fine contrast, and this is being introduced even into the dining service, of striking jade green with yellow jonquils.

Green in various shades is a favourite colour for dining-rooms just now. The dining table at Royal Lodge, by the way, has a thick glass top that throws up the table decorations well.

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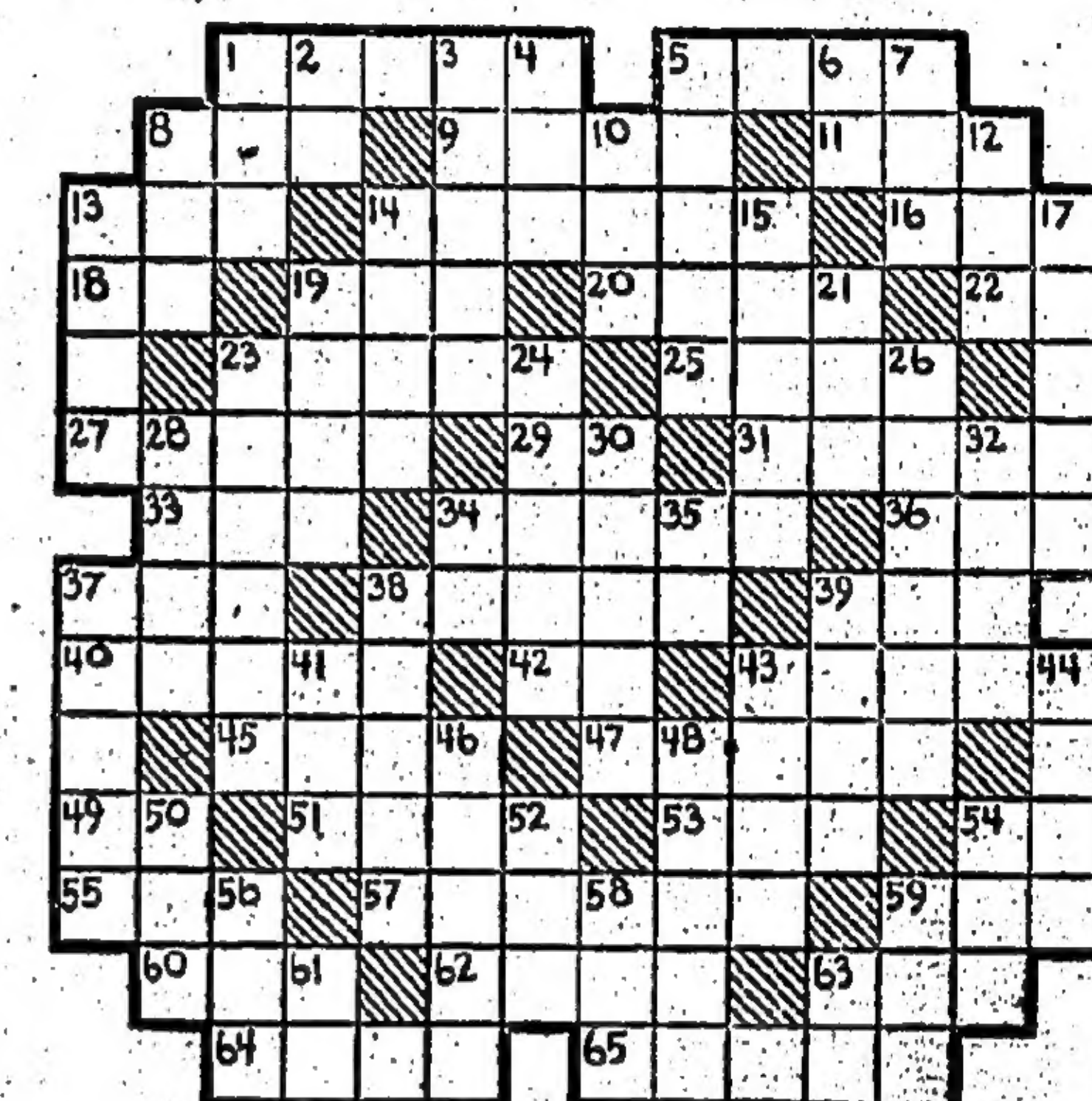
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(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and ditto.)



HORIZONTAL	HORIZONTAL (Cont.)	VERTICAL (Cont.)
1-Dolphin	42-Twisted hemp	17-Covered with a dome
5-Heavenly body	43-Scout	18-Sacred bull of Egypt
8-Witty saying	44-Behold (interj.)	24-Expire
9-A metal	51-Elongated fish (pl.)	25-Earlier
11-Chart	52-Unseen	26-Morris
13-Move rapidly	54-Egyptian sun-god	28-City in Texas
14-Coincided	55-Praxis. Wrong	30-Jails
15-Middle	57-Withdraw	32-Valley
16-Wear	58-Banish	34-Indefinite article
18-Battle	60-A youth	35-Preposition
20-Long grass stem	62-Abandon	37-Hymn
22-Toward	63-Covering for the head	38-A Turkish unit of money
23-Steeple	64-Harbor	39-A Turkish unit of money
25-Shower	65-A flower	
27-Right in general		
28-Agriculture, (abbr.)	VERTICAL	
31-An English novelist	1-Old soil	
33-Greek goddess of the dawn	2-Ahmad	
34-Homeless wanderers	3-Strength	
35-Suffix meaning "less"	4-Make a mistake	
37-Greek woodland spirit	5-Exit	
38-Worry	6-Place	
39-The whole	10-Over (Post)	
40-Vehicles on runners	12-Deep hole	
42-South Latitude (abbr.)	13-Mis an invasion	
43-Charm	14-Entrance	
	15-Darling	

(The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle, will appear in to-morrow's issue.)

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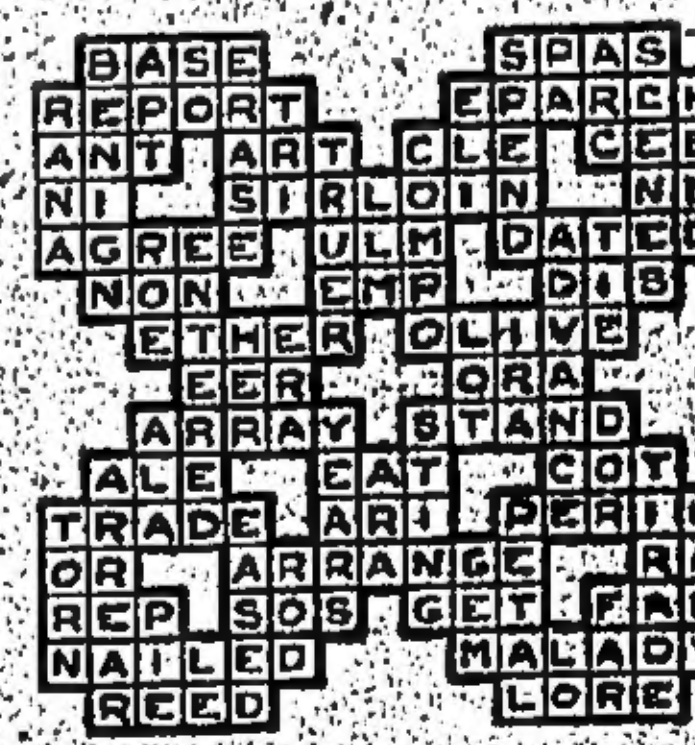
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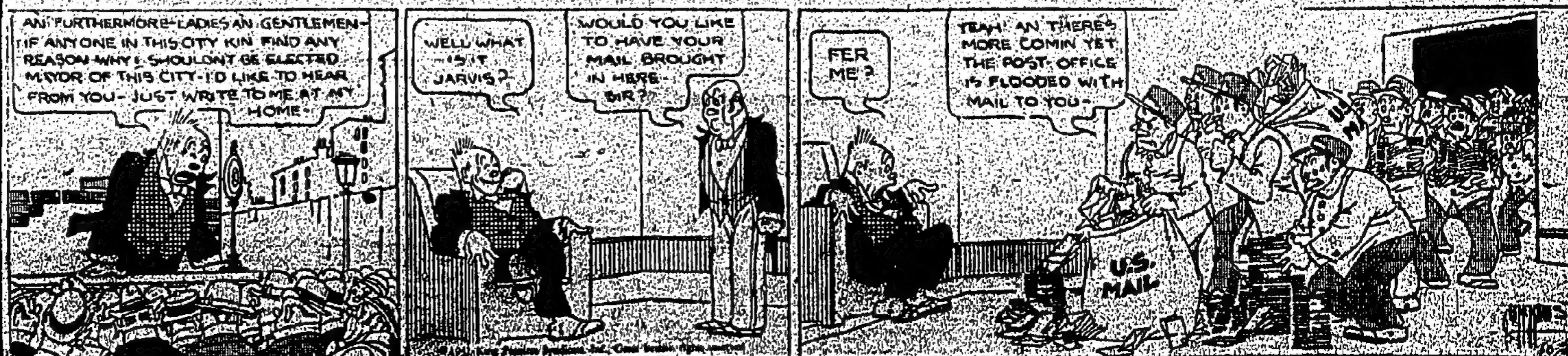
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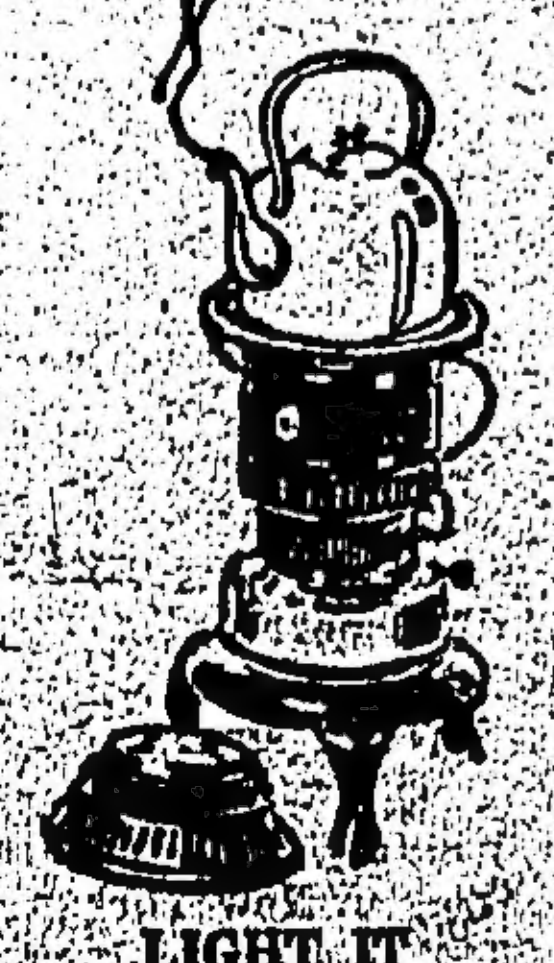
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Art and Drama

RUSSIAN DRAMA IN
EVOLUTION.Revolt Has Reached
The Stage.

DIRECTORS' NEW "STYLES".

In a recent issue of V. O. K. S.,
the official Soviet publication dealing
with cultural matters and the
cultural relations of the Soviet re-
publics to other countries, there ap-
pears a survey of music conditions
in Russia—as seen through official
eyes. The following excerpt deals
with opera:

"The most popular among the
Moscow theatres is the Great Thea-
tre. It has two of the biggest
theatre halls, served by a single
company, with an increased person-
nel, including the best vocal and
instrumental forces of the republic,
and we can safely say that no thea-
tre in the world possesses such a
body of singers, choir, ballet and
artistic personnel. Unfortunately,
the theatre continues to produce
the operas which are most popular
with the public and does not
endeavour to propagate the less
known works of art of the past
or Soviet operas, the subjects of
which would more nearly corre-
spond to the demands of the con-
temporary audience.

"There are three other theatres
in Moscow for creating new forms
of operatic art, which belong much
more to the category of modern
theatre. There is first the Stanislav-
sky Theatre. Its main artistic
principle is the application to op-
eratic art of the Stanislavsky sys-
tem which underlies the work of
the Moscow Art Theatre. In some
performances these principles have
given splendid results, particularly
in the production by Stanislavsky
himself of 'Eugene Onegin.' Such
work is interesting for the audience
in so far as it does not entirely
break with opera traditions and yet
endeavours to turn the opera to
great stage mastery.

"Musical Play.
"No less interesting is the Nemi-
rovich-Danchenko Theatre, called
after another director of the Mos-
cow Art Theatre. This theatre
leaves the opera traditions in a
more decided way and seeks out a
new form of musical play. It edu-
cates its actors to be not acting
singers, as is usual, but singing
actors who can create a valuable
stage figure.

"The youngest of the Moscow
State opera theatres is the Radio
Opera, created only two years
ago. The company and its direc-
tors consist of highly talented
young people who are not bound by
the traditions of the old opera. The
theatre's purpose is to create such
a type of opera as would, on the one
hand, be entirely comprehensible
to the radio hearers, and on the
other hand be interesting to the
spectators in the hall. Up to the
present time the theatre has not
achieved the creation of a valuable
radio opera, but after a series of
failures and after the change of
the former artistic direction it
now approaches a style of its own.
This is seen in the production of
Tchaikovsky's 'Mazepa,' with a
remounted scene and with the in-
troduced reading of Pushkin's poem
'Poltava.'

Decisive Victory.

The theatre has already won a
decisive victory with the produc-
tion of Mussorgsky's and Ippolitov-
Ivanov's opera 'Marriage,' with the
unchanged prose text of Gogol.
There certainly is a distinct differ-
ence between the music of the two
composers, but the performance as
a whole is highly interesting owing
to its fresh style, the excellent
staging by Sudakov and Taldykin
and the talented young artists act-
ing. By the production of 'Mar-
riage' the theatre has proved its
right to creative work and now
passes to the production of operas
on present-day subjects, having in
its portfolio several works, special-
ly ordered, on modern themes.

"The sixth Moscow opera thea-
tre is composed of young people
who have finished the Central In-
stitute of Theatrical Art course.
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and portably mounted stagings,
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HOW TASTES CHANGE

In building up the right sort of
respect and appreciation for art, it
will be a help to take into account
two things: the side of art that
changes, and the side of art that
lasts. As it is the changing side
that may puzzle us, let us take that
first and "leave the best part for
the end." Change comes with de-
veloping civilization: in simpler
times, simpler methods are not
crude. In the early days, artists
were working under limitations that
would not occur to us as possible,
constantly handicapped by conven-
tional ways of seeing and doing
such as the Egyptian habit of
drawing faces only in profile even
if the body were shown front view;
or the Greeks' apparently compla-
cent drawing of children who look
like grown-ups on a smaller scale,
writes a contributor in the Chris-
tian Science Monitor:

Until we learn something about
these special conditions, and can
make allowance for them, they get
in our way whenever we look at
any of the works of these older
nations. But once a familiarity
with the times gives us the key to
these traditions, our feeling of
strangeness disappears. Instead
we have the satisfaction of moving
a long step closer to the artist.

Thinking Like Da Vinci.
Suppose we wish ourselves back
into the days of Leonardo da Vinci,
about the year 1500, in the High
Italian Renaissance, and see what
sort of thinking this involves. Let
us imagine that he is on the point
of putting in the rugged background
of his 'Our Lady of the Rocks,'
now in the Louvre in Paris. What
resources of tradition has he to call
upon? To answer this, we shall
have to think away all the modern
landscape paintings that deck our
exhibits; and with them we shall
have to banish our modern eye for
nature, which produced this crop
of landscapes.

We must remember the blindness
to the beauty in wild scenery that
made it possible, in the seventeenth
century, to describe the Alps as
"hideous" and "uncouth"; and re-
member also that Jean-Jacques
Rousseau, who lived two hundred
and fifty years later than Leonardo,
was one of the first writers to call
people's attention "back to nature."
Before Leonardo's day human be-
ings were the centre of attention in
any work of art, and it took a long
time for interest to spread beyond
man and his immediate surround-
ings. When we realize how
slight was the tradition of
landscape painting behind Leonardo
and his contemporaries, we are
not surprised, but understanding,
if their reproductions of nature
do not entirely satisfy our modern
eyes.

Same Process.

And there is the same process to
go through in listening to old mu-
sic. In folk-songs and early op-
era, the melody sounds thin to us,
the melodies over simple. For, al-
though our ears are perhaps more
old-fashioned than our eyes, hard-
er to win over to the new, they
have been trained by such compos-
ers as Wagner, D'Indy, or Debussy,
to tolerate and even to enjoy com-
binations of sound that would have
been painful not so many years ago.
Again, we must think ourselves
back to the simpler days, and recall
the country gatherings where these
songs were sung while dancing or
work was going on; and remember
the small side of the theatres and
orchestras for which the lightly
scored operas were arranged. We
must not judge them by their effect
in settings for which they were
never intended.

This is hard work, this riding
our thought of a modern back-
ground. As a relief we turn to the
side of art that lasts, to the
attempts to make something endur-
ingly beautiful; and to the many
times that people of different
centuries have chosen the same
object to reproduce. There is
quick enjoyment in recognizing
that some far-away artist has liked
what we like, and in finding
touches of beauty here and there
in every art to which our tastes
need no adjusting.

The Art of Rhinoceros.
I am reminded of a course given
in a French high school by a

WALLACE'S LAST
NOVEL OUT.Expose Of Atlantic
Card Sharpers.

"BARONS OF NIMBLE PACK."

London.

A priceless heritage to gullible
transatlantic voyagers was left by
the late Edgar Wallace in his expose
of what he calls "The Barons of the
Nimble Pack."

In the same scholarly and thor-
ough manner with which Wallace
revealed the methods of every brand
of "crook," he gives the world the
"inside dope" on the card sharp in
his posthumous book—"The Stew-
ard."

Concerning card sharps these
three facts stand out:

All the best card sharps come
from New York!

Card sharps are the only people
who make traveling pay.

The real card sharp doesn't at-
tempt to palm a card. He palms
the whole deck!

Listen to the revelations of "The
Steward," chief character in the
latest Edgar Wallace thriller:

The Revelations.

"Most of the gangs and even the
sharps who work alone, stick to a
particular route, and work it back-
wards and forwards.

"I knew one 'baron of the nimble
pack' aboard a liner I worked on.
who was chasing a certain passen-
ger, whom he at last persuaded to
play cards with him.

"But imagine the sharp's surprise
when, in spite of his having worked
every trick he knew, and all the
carefully prepared packs of cards he
had concealed on his person, he kept
on losing!

"He had soon lost a fortune, but
he only understood when a Scotland
Yard officer came on board at
Southampton.

"Had a good trip, Joe?" the Yard
man asked of the sharp's intended
victim. "Competition must be get-
ting a bit fierce with the Pacific
crowd coming to work on the North
Atlantic."

Victim Eager.
According to "The Steward," it is
seldom that a sharp suggests a game
of cards. The invitation invariably
comes from the eager victim! In-
fact, the sharp often denies the fact
that he enjoys playing with stran-
gers.

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"Passion According to St. Matthew,"
made in the late Spring.

The release should be especially
welcome to the dealers, for the work,
which has hitherto been but
sketchily treated by H.M.V. and
Polydor, has been the subject of
many an eager inquiry. As a
domestic product following so close-
ly upon the "Philadelphia," "Gur-
reller" it should be more than
sufficient proof to the pessimists
that local activity is far from dead.
The Passion as such has had a
long and important history. By
obvious stages it developed from the
gospel readings, particularly those
of Holy Week, and it may easily be
seen that mystery plays, opera and
oratorio all trace back to the com-
mon stem. Thanks to the
fortunate accident by which Martin
Luther was of a musical bent in ad-
dition to being a reformer, it came
to Bach in the course of his ordinary
duties and, to quote David McK.
Williams, the director of this per-
formance, with the St. Matthew's he
produced "the full blown flower of
Protestant church music."

(Continued from previous column.)
ers, and will jokingly accuse the vic-
tim of being a sharp.

When the card sharp has been
spotted by the ship's authorities he
is usually requested not to play.
Aboard one liner the following
notice was pasted:

If you must play cards use your
own deck. If poker is your
favourite game there is one in the
fireplace. Play with that.

On one occasion the well-known
card sharps aboard a liner were
driven off. It was later discovered
that the less well-known sharps had
an opportunity to reap a harvest.

Wallace insists that card men are
the only gangs that are gangs. They
come on board a ship, and as far as
any can see, they don't know one
another.

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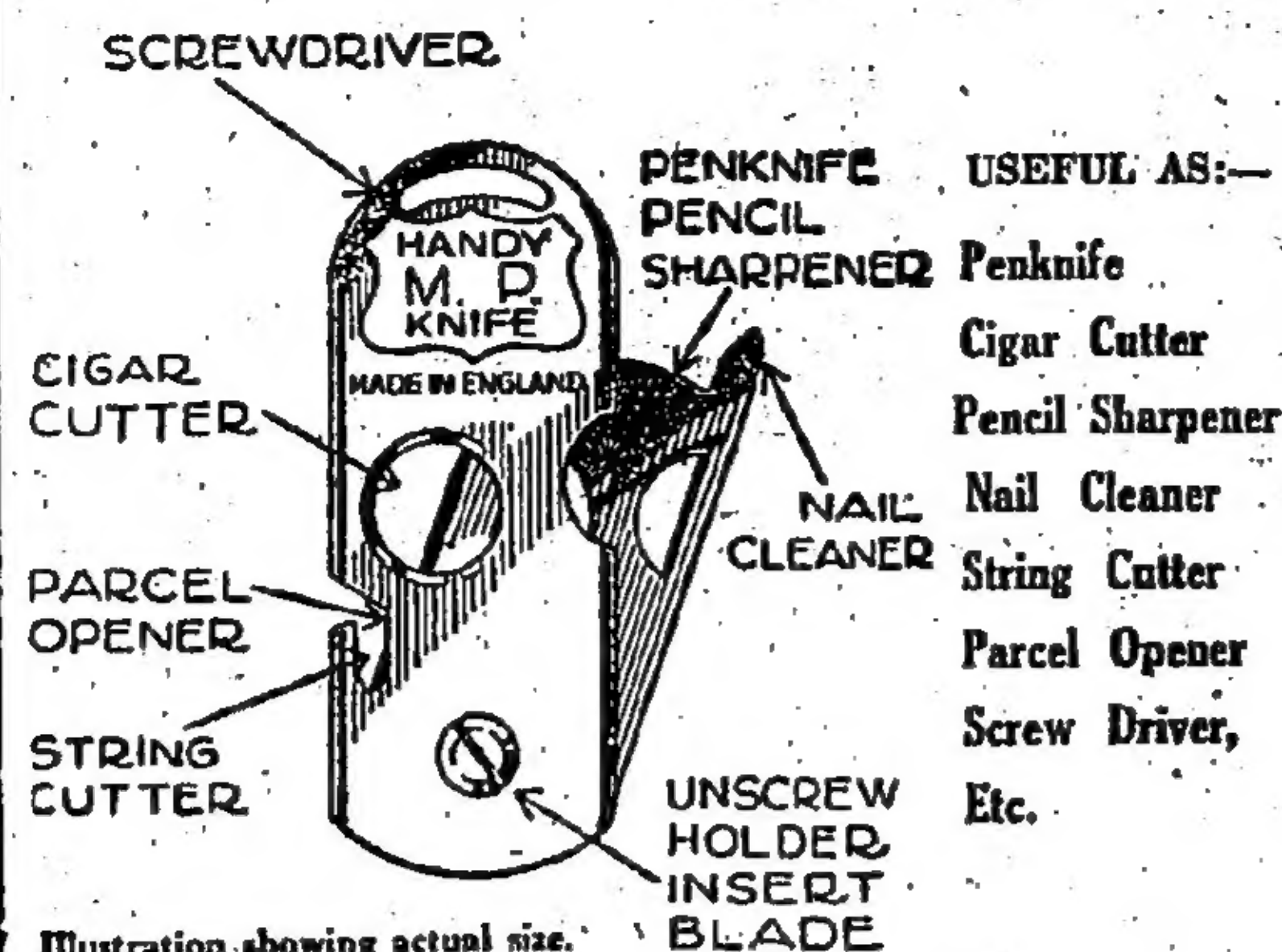
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OBITUARY.

FREDERIKS.—At Kowloon on December 13, Johan Louis Max Frederiks aged 33 years. Funeral will pass the monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

The China Mail

Hong Kong, Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1932.

Avanti Italia.

On November 4, 1918, General Diaz issued to the Italian army an order of the day, beginning: "History speaks... Listen!" Its recipients listened with a right good will, and, two days later, ears deafened with the detonations of gunfire heard with relief that Austria-Hungary had sought and signed an armistice. In the sequel "Unredeemed Italy" was redeemed, and this proud country, which has weathered many a storm, embarked upon a further stage of progress. There were pitfalls in the path. The sinister agencies responsible for the disaster at Caporetto attempted to stir up internecine disaffection. The corrective was supplied by the march of the "Black Shirts" into Rome. Its tenth anniversary was celebrated recently amidst great acclamations. Various features of Fascism may be uncoincidental to British traditions, but all government rests, in the last resort, upon the consent of the governed, and the majority of Italians seem to have concluded that the regimen suits them. It used to be said that Fascism and Signor Mussolini were synonymous, and that when he left the scene the fabric he had created would collapse. He is of a different opinion. He believes that Fascism—a word derived from the bundle of rods with which, in ancient Rome, the lictors chastised delinquents—is firmly rooted and will long survive him after he has made his exit. Signor Mussolini is not a superman, but he is a patriot who has the gift of communicating his enthusiasm. He has imbued Italy with the ideal that in saving the community, in whatever capacity, one can best fulfil one's self. He is a shrewd judge of human nature, and appreciates the advantages of judicious playing to the gallery. Latins respond quickly to the emotional appeal. In

Britain, during the war, the most effective recruiting poster was a representation of Lord Kitchener with the laconic inscription "England needs you." That was enough. The Latins prefer a more dramatic touch. We recollect Garibaldi's invitation to volunteers for a desperate enterprise: "I am going out from Rome. Let those who wish to continue the struggle against the foreigner come with me. I offer neither pay nor quarters nor provisions. I offer hunger, thirst, the extremities of fatigue, battles, and death." This was not an encouraging promise. Garibaldi meant what he said, and Italy knew it. But men accepted, as men will always and everywhere accept, the high and heroic challenge. Signor Mussolini has the same faculty of stirring hearts by a clarion call to endeavour and self-sacrifice. He has been described as a chauvinist. He replies, with disarming frankness, that he has two voices, one for domestic and one for external consumption. His contributions to international discussions are measured, moderate, and balanced. But when he considers that Italians would be the better for a little "gingering up," he indulges in flamboyant rhetoric that loses nothing from the fact that Italian is a colourful and explosive tongue, a literal translation of which is apt to convey a misleading impression. The burden of his deliverances for local digestion is to remind Italians of their illustrious inheritance. The grandeur that was Rome is theirs to renew. This is not jingoism, for Signor Mussolini is not thinking in terms of territorial acquisitions; it is a legitimate exhortation. Italy has a past which should be a perennial inspiration to effort. Rome became the fountain head of a Church which has over 331,000,000 adherents. Latin is the basis of all the Romance languages, several of which, migrating from Europe, have gone overseas. Roman law is the foundation of the juridical systems of half the globe. When in Western Europe, the fires of scholarship burned low, Italy kept the torch ablaze. From every quarter students flocked to the ancient universities of Bologna and Pisa. In Italy the Renaissance flowered, and from Italy spread the revival of learning which transfigured European culture. Italy has produced imperishable monuments in art, sculpture, architecture, and letters. Were Italian influences, from Roman days onwards, to be subtracted from the sum of human attainment, the lapse would be unfathomable. Signor Mussolini is entitled to cherish these splendid memories and to use his government to react upon them as a spur to achievement.

HERE. THERE
and
EVERYWHERE.

The Customer's Right.

Chicago.—If the one dozen melons allegedly squashed on the head of Allen Brill, fruit dealer, by a customer, had been hard the Judge might have given a different decision.

But as it was he dismissed the complaint Mr. Brill made against the customer, and said:—"If the melons had been good they would have hurt. Since they didn't hurt they must have been bad. And since they were bad, the customer had a right to be angry."

Your Daily Smile.

NON-STOP SPIN.

Natives of a certain African tribe believe that the earth is suspended in the air by a rope from the sky. An out-size Yo-Yo?

What Saith The Proverb?

A stage writer says you hear the same jokes in pantomime in Cape Town and Cardiff; Wellington and Wimbledon. Sure it's a wise-crack that knows its own father.

OBVIOUSLY.

Two boxers in Spain recently claimed a foul simultaneously. The finer points of modern pugilism are evidently being quickly picked up over there.

OUCH!

A smash and grab thief was recently caught owing to a sudden attack of rheumatism while he was escaping. You can't have your ache and beat it.

British Women Are Wonderful.

Then there's the woman who, when accused of driving of sixty miles an hour, said it couldn't be true, as she had been out only fifteen minutes.

THE FLOOD.

In a new American film the leading lady has a bath in 500 gallons of real milk. The producer got his idea when endeavouring to open a bottle of milk by prying the cardboard disc with his thumb.

One More Joke About Women.

"Women, take to good-hearted men," says a woman writer. And from.

Modern Proverbs.

Be careful, the old flame does not flare up.

SOLEMN THOUGHT.

The big guns are usually the last to be fired.

HOWLER.

Karl Marx... one of the famous family of film comedians.

Facts You Did Not Know.

Because of a rapid expansion of its zinc fabricating industry Germany now ranks next to the United States as a consumer of the raw metal.

A two sided instrument invented by a St. Louis musician produces tones of the violin from one side and those of the viola from the other.

Japanese producers supply about 85 per cent. of the domestic market for sound pictures, most of the remainder coming from the United States.

To speed up painting the photo-electric cell has been combined with a spray gun to automatically turn the paint on and off at the right places.

News In Brief.

Three cases of diphtheria were notified to the Health Authorities on Monday.

The following is the return of notifiable diseases for the week ended December 10:—Small-pox 1 case; 1 death; diphtheria 6 cases; 2 deaths; enteric fever 2 cases; 1 death; pulmonary tuberculosis 51 cases.

A coolie, Chan Oh-Kit, 34, and of fixed abode, was again brought before Mr. Butters at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon on a charge of robbery, together with two other men. After further evidence had been taken, the Magistrate committed the defendant to the Criminal Sessions.

COALITION'S MARCH
NEXT ELECTION MAY
BE 'WATERLOO'CAN TRADE REVIVE WITHOUT
A WAR?

Professor G. M. Trevelyan winds up his second volume, labelled "Ramillies," with these words:—"In spite of Queen Anne, Harley, Godolphin, and Marlborough, and partly through the defects of their respective qualities, the attempt to govern England on non-party lines had come to an end, after a not inglorious period of trial (1702-9). Party henceforth was to rule in alternate manifestations of Whig and Tory; but the foundations of Great Britain and her Constitution and her place in the world had been well and truly laid, if party could be trusted to treat them with respect."

There is much in these words that is peculiarly applicable to the present position and prospects of what is called the National Government. If anybody had predicted two years ago that the biggest Tory majority that has ever been returned to Westminster, not excepting Lord Grey's majority in 1832, would be led in the House of Commons by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, as Prime Minister, he would have been deemed clearly "certifiable." And yet there it is, for anybody to go and look at.

It may not be impertinent to remind any readers who have not the stomach to tackle the work of Macaulay's great-nephew (and the part about the Scottish Union is dull) that Queen Anne, Harley, Godolphin and Marlborough worked together as Moderate or Centre Tories, and that they had one simple policy—the war with France. How this quartet was broken up by the folly of the Whigs in prosecuting Sacheverell and the still greater folly of the Jacobite Tories under Bolingbroke everybody knows.

Shrewd Queen Anne. It is gratifying by the way, that Mr. Trevelyan has destroyed the myth, which we owe to the malice of Swift, whom she would not make a Bishop, that the last of our Stuart Sovereigns was a bigoted half-wit. Anne was a lonely and sick woman, but she inherited a good deal of the shrewdness of Charles, for she saw through most of the politicians and hated the wild men of all parties, who had broken up, before her death, the great traditions of patriotic government established under the Ministry of Godolphin and Marlborough.

Walpole and the Whigs wisely changed the duration of Parliament from three to seven years. Asquith, whose statesmanship we are now asked to admire, shortened it to five years. One of the results of this stroke of demagoguery is that all parties live in terror of the next election. The Government, to the relief of the House of Commons, delegates every exercise of authority which it decently can to a non-elected committee composed of so-called experts; very able men as a rule, ex-civil servants and retired judges, whose remuneration is secure.

The next general election, under the present law, is due in 1936; at least, it need not take place before then. Two things are notable about all non-party, patriotic Governments: (1) They are the children of fear or emotion; (2) they must, in the nature of things, be supported by a coalition. The emergency that produces a non-party patriotic Government is, as a rule, war; as when Burke led over the majority of Whigs to support Pitt; as in the Crimean war, when Lord Aberdeen consorted with Peelites, Liberals, etc.; as in the last war, when Asquith and Lloyd George formed coalitions with Unionists.

The present Government is the product of panic, not of martial, but of financial panic. Ten years of mass bribery, of pensions, of doles, of subsidies right and left, of a forced return to the gold standard, had reduced a Government to borrow from the Post Office and Savings Banks to keep up the dole, and the discovery of our approaching bankruptcy was not made by John Bull himself, but by his neighbours.

The Government is looked upon as perfectly safe until the next election, when it will probably lose 50, possibly 100 seats, partly to Labour and partly to a combined

tion of Samuelite and Lloyd Georgian Liberals. These two Parliamentarians will scramble up some sort of a Liberal party, if only in opposition to Sir John Simon and Mr. Runciman, the common objects of their detestation. Labour, i.e., the trades unions, will have to submit to the leadership—very able it will be—of Messrs. Morrison and Ansell Bevan, while Messrs. Wise and Maxton will hang on their flank as guerrilla bandits.

Still, a National non-Party Government can shed even 100 seats (200 on a division) if only they are lucky in their foreign policy, and if only the trade of the world should, by its revival, mop up the unemployed, or some of them. We speak of these things as luck, because really they are beyond the control of this or any Government. The misery and chaos of central and eastern Europe are directly due to the Treaty of Versailles, which must be revised or rewritten; to war debts, which must be postponed by an infinite moratorium; to the gap between mass production and trades union regulation.

So long as the British trades unions refuse to admit flexibility and interdependence between wholesale production and retail trade, unemployment will continue. If, and it is a mighty "if," these questions could be settled without war or revolution, there is no reason why a Centre Government should not rule England for the next half century, for with reduced taxation and good trade the present electorate would ignore party politics.

As for the leadership of the Centre Party, it is open as a prize to be won by any man of brains, courage, and a clear policy. Any man, for instance, who should save the British agricultural industry, who would shake it up into its former equality with the towns might be Prime Minister in a few years. Who this man may be, I have not sufficient knowledge of the personnel of the House of Commons to conjecture.

NEW LIBRARY FOR
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H.E. The Governor.

The official opening of the Fung Ping Shan Library by H.E. the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., will take place at the Hong Kong University this afternoon at 4.30 p.m.

On arrival, His Excellency, the Chancellor, will be met by the Vice-Chancellor, Sir William Hornell, C.B.E., and conducted to the Library.

Mr. Fung Ping Wah, the son of the donor will present the key of the main door of the building to His Excellency and request him to open the building.

After the ceremony, Mr. Fung Ping Wah will make a short speech and ask Sir William Peel to unveil a portrait of his father, the late Mr. Fung Ping Shan.

Refreshments will be served after the building has been opened to inspection.

DR. R. F. CLAY AT ROTARY
CLUB Tiffin.

Some simple experiments demonstrating the peculiarities of air when in motion were given at yesterday's Rotary Club tiffin at Gloucester Building, by Dr. Reginald F. Clay, D.Sc., former principal of the Northern Polytechnic, North London.

The guests present at the tiffin were Sir Henry Pollock, Messrs. Ho Shai-lai (Peking), J. D. Hutchinson (Singapore), C. D. Culbertson (Shanghai), G. V. T. Marshall, Wallace Harper, Jr., C. Y. Kwan and T. F. Lo, all of Hong Kong, and Rotarian P. S. Cassidy presided.

The High Admiral's flag of Japan belonging to Admiral Count Togo was presented to H.M.S. Worcester, off Greenhithe, by Captain S. Takami, the Japanese Naval Attaché, Count Togo received his training on the Worcester.

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BRITAIN AND DOMINIONS GRANT 10 PER CENT DUTY.

A table of the principal products of the Colonies showing the new or increased preference granted in the United Kingdom, the Dominions, India and Southern Rhodesia since October, 1931, or to be granted in accordance with the Ottawa Agreement, has just been received by the Hong Kong Government.

The United Kingdom preference on sugar per cwt. has been increased from 3/8d. to 4/8d. with an additional preference of 1/- per cwt. on a limited quantity, fixed for 1932-33, at 275,000 tons of Colonial sugar. This also results in an increase of preference on molasses.

Rice into the United Kingdom is also granted a preference of 1d. per pound, while a ten per cent. ad valorem duty is allowed on flat white maize. Dry salted and unsalted fish is also allowed a ten per cent. ad valorem duty in the United Kingdom, while a ten per cent. preference is given by India. Similar preference is given to canned fish.

Foodstuffs, agricultural and miscellaneous products and mineral products including mineral oil and semi-refined petroleum, benefit under the preferences. Tea, coffee and cocoa are three other commodities, although cocoa imports into the United Kingdom do not benefit. Preference on wine into the United Kingdom has been doubled to 2/- per gallon, while fruits and vegetables benefit greatly. Specific preferences will operate on canned fruit, and in Australia, will vary with the size of the container.

A ten per cent. ad valorem duty will operate in the United Kingdom on maize, copra, palm oil, ground nuts, oil seeds, palm kernel oil, desiccated and fresh coconuts and coconut oil, sisal and hard fibres, timber, dry gums and resins, essential oils, sponges, unmanufactured ivory, asphalt, tin and plumbago.

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Tea per lb.—United Kingdom 2d.; Newfoundland 4c.; India 2s.; Southern Rhodesia 2d.

Coffee per lb.—United Kingdom 1d. (increased from 1/2d.); New Zealand 1d.; South Africa 1d.; Newfoundland 2c.; India 1s.; Southern Rhodesia 1d.

Cocoa per lb.—Australia 1/2d.; New Zealand 1/2d.; Southern Rhodesia 1d.

Rum per gallon or proof gallon (according to the method of assessment employed).—Australia 5s.; New Zealand 4s.; India Rs.3.12; Southern Rhodesia 5s.

Wine per gallon.—United Kingdom 2s. (increased from 1s) on Empire wine not exceeding 27% of proof spirit, over foreign wine not exceeding 25% of proof spirit.

Sugar per cwt.; of 96° sugar.—United Kingdom 4s. 8.8d. (increased from 3s. 8.8d.) with an additional preference of 1s. per cwt. on a limited quantity, fixed for 1932-33 at 275,000 tons of Colonial sugar.

Molasses.—United Kingdom, a consequential increase of preference. Sago and Tapioca Ad Valorem.—United Kingdom 10%; Australia 15%; India 10%.

Sago. Flour.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Canada 1/2c. per lb. (increased from 1/4c.); Australia 15%.

Bananas.—United Kingdom 2s. 6d. per cwt.; Newfoundland 10% ad valorem; India 10%; Australia will admit 40,000 cwt. of Fiji bananas annually at a preference of 6s. 10d. per cwt.

Grapefruit.—United Kingdom 6s. per cwt.; Newfoundland 10% ad valorem; India 10%.

Oranges.—United Kingdom 3s. 6d. per cwt. from April 1 to November 30, 10% for remainder of year; Newfoundland 10%; India 10%.

Tomatoes.—United Kingdom 2d. per lb. from June 1 to July 31, 1d. per lb. from August 1 to October 31, 10% ad valorem for the rest of the year; Canada 2c. per lb. (increased from 1 1/2c.); Australia 10%; Newfoundland 10% ad valorem; India 10%.

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MONGOL PRINCES VISIT NANKING.

Discuss Northern Situation.

Nanking, Dec. 7. A party of Mongolian princes, who are visiting the Capital, paid a formal call upon Mr. Lin Sen, President of the National Government, yesterday.

Accompanied by Mr. Ke Hain-ya, reserve member of the C.E.C., the Mongolian princes were received by the President in the official reception hall of the National Government House.

It is understood that the Mongolian princes will also confer with the various Government leaders concerning the Mongolian situation.

A Peiping message reports that the Panchen Lama and Chang Chia, respectively "Living Buddha" of Tibet and Kokonor, are proceeding here from Peiping immediately.—Kuo Min.

(Continued from previous column.) Potatoes.—United Kingdom £1 per ton, with a higher rate (4s. 8d. per cwt.) for new potatoes from November 1 to June 30; India 10% ad valorem.

Rice, cleaned, husked, etc.—United Kingdom 1d. per lb.

Groundnuts (including betelnuts).—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Australia 15%; New Zealand 10%; India 7 1/2%.

Canned fruit.—United Kingdom 15% ad valorem; Canada (canned pineapples) 8c. per lb. (increased from 1c.); Australia, specific preferences varying with the size of the container; India 10%.

Honey.—United Kingdom 7s. per cwt.

Fruit Juices.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Australia 3d. per gallon; India 10%.

Fish, dry salted and unsalted.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; India 10%.

Canned fish.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; India 10%.

OTHER AGRICULTURAL AND MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS.

Maize, flat white.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem.

Copra.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; India 10%.

Palm oil.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Canada (as defined) 10%; India 10%.

Ground nuts.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem.

Oil seeds (other than essential).—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; India 10%.

Palm kernel oil.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Canada 10%; India 10%.

Desiccated coconut.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Newfoundland 4c. per lb.; India 10%.

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Fresh coconuts.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Australia 1s. per cwt.; India 10%.

Sisal and hard fibres.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; India 10%.

Timber.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Australia, (certain kinds) 20%.

Tobacco, unmanufactured.—India, rate not yet determined.

Tobacco, unmanufactured, entered to be made into cigars.—Australia 6d. per lb.

Cigars per lb.—Canada 50c.; Australia 2s.; New Zealand 2s.; Southern Rhodesia 2s.

Dry Gums and resins (including balata and gutta percha).—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Canada 10%; Australia 15%; India 10%.

Essential oils.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Canada 7 1/2% (increased from 2 1/2%); Australia 15%; India (citronella, cinnamon and cinnamon leaf oil only) 10%.

Sponges.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Australia 15%.

Ivory, unmanufactured.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; India 10%.

MINERAL PRODUCTS.

Asphalt.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Canada 10%; Australia 10%; New Zealand 10%; South Africa 10%; India 10%.

Copper.—United Kingdom 2d. per lb.

Tin.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem.

Mineral oil, petroleum semi-refined.—Canada 1c. per gallon (increased from 1/10c.).

Plumbago.—United Kingdom 10% ad valorem; Australia 10%; India 10%.

Rolland, the 5-year-old son of Mr. Berchur, of 14 Felix Villas, was bitten yesterday while playing with a dog belonging to Mr. Rhee, 17 Felix Villas. The dog has been sent to Kennedy Town for observation.

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RARE DISEASE IN ENGLAND.

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Two cases of meningococcus meningitis, a rare disease in Britain, have been notified at Newport, Mon.

The local medical officer stated that there was no need for alarm and absolutely no danger of an epidemic.

Meningitis is an inflammation of the covering sheath of the brain. It can be caused in various ways, but when due to the organism known as the meningococcus it is usually called cerebro-spinal fever.

It is chiefly a disease of the winter months and is characterized by a sudden onset, a high temperature, a severe headache and sickness, and in some cases by small haemorrhages under the skin, which have given rise to the popular term "spotted fever".

In its acute form it is often fatal and convalescence in any case is very slow.

BRITAIN ACCEPTS APOLOGY.

(Continued from page 1).

Plead Not Guilty.

In the House of Commons yesterday, Capt. Anthony Eden, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, announced that the Soviet had intimated that while not admitting responsibility for the Izvestia's article charging Britain unjustly, they dissociated themselves from it.

The editor of Izvestia apologized to Great Britain and admitted the inaccuracy of the article, which alleged that the British Foreign Office had instructed its agent to forge certain documents which would implicate the Soviet Government in serious misunderstandings with other nations.

Reuter.

Lee Lai Ting, conductor of a Hong Kong Tramway motor, has reported to the Police that while the vehicle was in motion along the Wan Chai Road, near the junction of Mallory Street, a Chinese woman passenger jumped, sustaining injuries to her head. She was removed to hospital.

While riding a bicycle in Waterloo Road yesterday evening, Alfred Abing, 10, a schoolboy, knocked down a Chinese telephone clerk employed at the Kowloon Hospital. The Chinese sustained slight injuries.

To-Day's Short Story.

KERRIGAN AND THE BLACKMAILERS

By Neil Gordon.

PETER KERRIGAN, adventurer, gambler, sometimes burglar, sometimes respectable citizen, dropped into a public-house at the back of Leicester-square one evening, and was handed a tattered envelope by the barman. It contained an unsigned, typewritten note, which said simply: "I know all about the Melbourne gaol-break of '24. Put 1000 old, assorted Treasury notes in the letter-box of 121, Portarlington-grove and don't try to be funny."

Peter sipped a Martini thoughtfully, and wondered who had stumbled across his singular exploit in Melbourne when he extracted a friend from the local gaol singlehanded and got him clean out of Australia. He was very reluctant to have the past revived against him. The Melbourne authorities had been rather vexed about the rescue and would be only too delighted to lay their hooks at last upon the man who had made them look uncommonly foolish.

No. Peter decided that at all costs he must avoid extradition, and yet, if he disliked extradition, he also disliked being blackmailed, especially by this sort of blackmail which, once begun, would obviously have no end to it. The only solution was to strike back and to strike back hard. Peter ordered another Martini and did some more thinking, and then he strolled into the tube-station, dodged among the trains, lifts and emergency-stairs of several stations until he must have got rid of even the alertest tracker, and finally wound up with a taxi to a firm of theatrical costumiers.

An hour later he emerged from Clarkson's looking like a distinguished, elderly French marquis, complete with purple-lined opera cloak, silvery imperial, iron-grey eyebrows, and malacca sword-stick. A hired limousine—for Peter was temporarily in funds—drove him to Kensington, and thence he strolled negligently along

Portarlington-grove and past Number 121. As he expected, it was a vast, mid-Victorian monstrosity, covered with the boards of house agents imploring someone to rent or buy it. Judging from the dingy appearance of the boards, they had been there for a long time.

There was a small garden at the back, and the elegant old marquis wandered round into Portarlington-alley and examined the glass-topped brick wall and the dilapidated garden gate, with its old-fashioned, elementary lock. He glanced up and down the lane. It was empty.

Although the visit had been intended simply as a reconnaissance, the chance was too good to miss. Peter fumbled for a moment with his skeleton keys, which he always carried, and the next instant he was inside the garden. He was taking a very small risk. If the blackmailer was in the house, so much the better. But if not, as was more likely, then he had a first-class opportunity for an investigation of the place. His skeleton keys admitted him easily into the scullery, and he began a silent tour of the vast, dusty, empty barracks. The colossal rooms

were innumerable. This air was heavy, and the whole atmosphere was one of melancholy gloom. It was a perfect setting for blackmail, that most hideous of crimes.

Suddenly a board in another room creaked loudly, and Peter knew that he was not alone in the house. There was a tense silence, broken by another creak, this time much nearer. Peter loosened the blade of his sword-stick, and rolled his cloak over his left arm and shrank back into a shadowy corner. The next moment the door opened slowly and a beautiful girl in a fur coat came softly in.

"Good afternoon," said Peter politely. The girl gasped, and a flood of colour rushed to her face. She really was very lovely, thought Peter.

"Who—who are you?" she stammered.

"The Marquis de Nogent-le-Rothiere," replied Peter with what he imagined to be a bow of old-world grace, "very much at your service."

The girl looked at him doubtfully. "But what are you doing here?" she asked.

"I have a house agent's order to view this house," replied the marquis. "And you?"

The girl twisted a tiny lace handkerchief into a ball in her slender fingers before answering "in a low voice, 'I'm being blackmailed'."

"My dear girl," cried Peter impulsively, "so am I."

"You?"

"Yes. We must join forces. I hate being blackmailed; don't you?"

She nodded, and her brilliant eyes never left his face.

"I'm in such desperate trouble," she murmured. "I've got to pay up £2000, and I haven't got 2000 shillings. It means ruin, absolute ruin." She choked down a sob gallantly.

"Who's the man?" cried Peter. "That's the first thing we've got to discover."

She shook her head. "I don't know. Was told to put my money in the letter-box."

"So was I. What happens to you if you don't?"

"The girl shivered. 'My mother goes to prison for forgery and my father breaks his heart,' she whispered."

Kerrigan whistled. "I say, that's bad. And you can't raise the money?"

"No."

Peter Kerrigan, insipid of his hough, practical mode of life, had a powerful, sentimental streak in him.

"Look here," he exclaimed, "I'm in funds. If the worst comes to the worst I'll put up the two thousand for you."

A dazzling flash of light illuminated the girl's face, and she flung out her arms towards him.

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RECEPTION GIVEN TO MR. WEN TSUNG YAO.

A reception by the Tung Wah Hospital, was yesterday given to Mr. Wen Tsung-yao, the head of the Kwang Shu Cantonese Association and also the head of the Cantonese Technical Institute.

Mr. Chan Lim-pak presided amongst a large gathering. Among those present were Messrs. S. W. Tao, T. N. Chau, Tang Shu-kin, Ho Ti-sang, Leung, But-yue, Fo Yick-pang, Tam Woon-kong, Poon Hin-cho, Tam Shui-kong, Ngan Shing-kwong, Wong Shun-ming, Kwok Shun, Sir Shou-sen Chow and Chan Kam-to.

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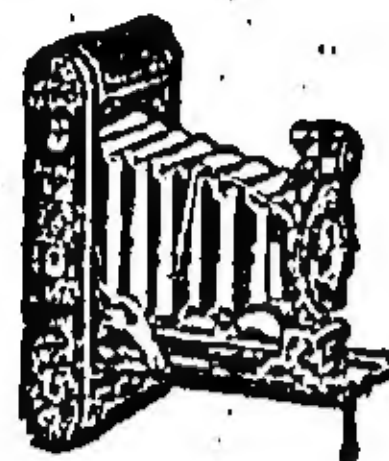
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**SPLENDID HALF-BACKS AND GOOD
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(By Referee.)

THE Y.M.C.A. hockey first eleven gave a very convincing display against the Lincolns at King's Park yesterday, and recorded a well deserved triumph by three clear goals, after having scored twice in the first half.

Following up their draw with the Borderers first eleven the Y.M.C.A. are now in a good position to claim a fixture with the Club senior team, who play both regiments and who include the Regent, another team whom the "Y" engage, in their fixture list.

HALF BACKS PAVE WAY
The "Y" half backs were largely responsible for yesterday's win by a clear margin. They held the speedy Lincolns forwards well in check and at the same time piled their own forwards with well-judged passes. D. McLellan was seen at his best, his stick-work being much better than on the last occasion.

I saw him play, while his scoop pass shots found their man nearly every time. H. J. D. Lowe, who deputised for F. S. W. Smith, played a good spoiling game and showed very fine stick-work, his long reach proving a great asset. In Lt. Hocquard he had a speedy opponent and he came through with flying colours. R. A. Bates, the left half, was a little slow for Capt. Boxer, but he gave a very sound display on the whole, intercepting the passes of both Sgt. Harper and Pte. Setters time and again.

MURPHY'S IMPROVEMENT.

E. O. Murphy was more impressive at full back than A. Tate, but he was not as steady as he has been in recent matches. He is, however, improving his back-stick shot with every match. Tate was too prone to attempt first-time hitting to be really sound. He, however, cleared the "Y" lines on several occasions when things looked dangerous.

L. D. Skinner, in goal, played the best game I have seen him play for a long time. He came out at the right moment, and followed up his kicking clearances with good judgment.

Several times Skinner came out to rob either Cpl. Cook or Lt. Hocquard when in the act of shooting.

GOOD UNDERSTANDING

The forwards combined brilliantly, the understanding between S. H. Garrod and W. J. Brown being perfect. Garrod is going to prove of immense value to the "Y" with his tricky stick-work. T. J. Price sent across one or two very fine centres and scored probably the best goal of the match when he cut in and opened the scoring with a brilliant shot from a difficult angle.

Brown lead his forwards with great dash and his goal, scored after the interval was the result of keen following up. He has scored nearly 40 goals this season, and the secret of his success has obviously been the manner in which he has followed up shots rained in at the goalkeeper.

FINE STICK-WORK

G. C. Burnett scored a goal almost identical to that of Price's, and showed good understanding with Brown and Garrod. He was unfortunate to receive a nasty blow on the head from a rising ball from Cpl. Hartford, but was able to continue. J. M. Wilson his partner on the right wing, sent across perfectly timed centres, but was inclined to be a trifle on the slow side.

The Lincolns showed good stick-work, Lt. Rossier and Pte. Setters being outstanding. Capt. Boxer on the right wing sent across some beautiful centres—as hard as could be desired, but his efforts were greatly nullified by the solidity of the "Y" defence. Cpl. Snable led the line well, but he was inclined to be a little selfish.

Result: Y.M.C.A. 3 Lincolns 0

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'VARSITY MAMAK DEFEAT.

H.K.S.R.A. Win 3-1.

Fielding ten men throughout, the University were defeated by the 1st H.K.S. Brigade R.A. by 3 goals to 1 in a Mamak Hockey Tournament match on the Marina ground yesterday afternoon.

The Indians netted all their goals in the first half through Tara Singh, Gagan Singh and Khuda Bux. In the second half the University attacked heavily and Aziz decreased the lead. Only the hard-hitting of the Indian defence saved them the game during this half as the Varsity forwards were combining splendidly.

**NINE POLICE PLAY
A DRAW.**

After Scoring First.

Playing only nine men the Police performed creditably to hold the R.A.M.C. to a drawn game in their Mamak Hockey Tournament fixture on the Marina ground yesterday afternoon.

C. Pile placed the Police in the lead in the first half. Tarney equalising for the Medicals in the second half.

In spite of the fact that they were without Blackburn and Downman, the Police attacked heavily in the second half, and went very close on several occasions.

CLUB 7 HERMES CANCELLED.

The hockey match between the Club and the Kowloon Chess Club will be played this evening at Lane Crawford's Restaurant beginning at 6.45 p.m. Both sides will put out their strongest available side and an interesting series of games should be seen.

Mamak Hockey Table

(Up to and including yesterday's games.)

	P.W.L.D.	F.A.Pts.	Goals
Radio	11 10 0 1	45 8 21	
1st Bty. H.K.S.	10 9 0 1	46 9 19	
R.C. Signals	11 8 2 1	34 13 17	
R.A.S.C.	14 7 5 2	20 21 16	
St. Andrew's	9 7 1 1	18 9 15	
Incognitos	7 7 0 0	27 8 14	
Medway	11 5 2 4	22 10 14	
Police	7 4 1 2	13 10 10	
R.E.	13 4 8 1	14 29 9	
University	7 4 3 0	15 15 8	
Phoenix	8 3 3 2	16 17 8	
R.A.M.C.	12 2 6 4	9 20 8	
12th R.A.	7 3 3 1	12 10 7	
Wishart	5 3 2 0	10 15 6	
Veteran	5 2 3 0	4 7 4	
Tamar	9 1 8 2	20 22 4	
24th R.A.	7 1 5 1	7 21 8	
26th R.A.	7 1 5 1	15 15 3	
Parthian	4 1 3 0	6 11 2	
German Club	3 1 3 0	6 36 2	
R.A.O.C.	8 0 7 1	0 21 1	
K.I.T.C.	10 0 9 1	15 38 1	
8th Destroyers	1 0 1 0	1 2 0	

KOWLOON CHESS CLUB

SIXTH ROUND.

The following were the results of sixth round matches of the Kowloon Chess Club championships which were decided yesterday evening:

Sector	
J. S. Smith	1/2 C. E. Wong
H. Soltau	1/2 P. T. Rozario

CLUB CHESS.

The first fixture of the present season between the Victoria Chess Club and the Kowloon Chess Club will be played this evening at Lane Crawford's Restaurant beginning at 6.45 p.m. Both sides will put out their strongest available side and an interesting series of games should be seen.

SETBACK TO SHANGHAI RUGBY

**Fowler's Jaw Broken
In Two Places.**

CLUB CHANGES TO-DAY.

(By SCRUM HALF.)

G. H. B. Fowler, the brilliant Shanghai Rugby Club three-quarter, has had his jaw broken in two places in a boxing fight with a naval representative and will not be fit for the Interport match in January. Fowler was a schoolboy rugby international.

This is a cruel blow to Shanghai's chances of avenging their 1931 defeat as Fowler was almost a certainty for inclusion in their side. This season he has shown remarkable form, and he and G. R. More, the Hong Kong Interporter of 1931, comprised the most dangerous right wing in the Northern port.

Fowler has always had a leaning towards Boxing, being a Public Schools champion. He figured prominently in a recent tournament staged at the Canidrome.

**CLUB CHANGES FOR GAME
AGAINST KOWLOON.**

COX AT SCRUM-HALF.

THE Club "A" are making several changes in their fifteen to meet Kowloon at the Valley this evening at 5.10 p.m. R. H. D. Wade is taking L. Goldman's place in the three-quarter line and L. G. Robertson is standing down on doctor's orders. This was to have been Robertson's first match since he broke his collar bone, but it is just as well that he is taking no chances when considering his claims for Interport recognition in January. A. W. Torrible, the scrum-half who was down to play for both the Club and Kowloon, is playing for Kowloon, and his place behind the Club pack has been given to A. R. Cox, the versatile wing forward.

A. G. Dalziel, another of the Club wing forwards, is playing in the three-quarter line, and A. K. Munro and E. G. Nigel are filling the two vacancies in the pack. Kowloon will be without A. Eastbrook and R. Stillard, and their places have not yet been filled.

The following are the revised teams:—

Club "A"—S. J. H. Fox; A. Harbord, R. H. D. Wade, A. D. Lowson, A. G. Dalziel; A. F. Jenkins, A. R. Cox, G. C. Maurice, R. Stillard, S. R. Garrod, R. I. Cherrill, F. R. Burch, A. K. Munro, M. N. Cochran, and E. G. Nigel.

Kowloon:—L. D. Skinner; A. N. Other, D. F. Kilby, T. S. D. Whitley, J. J. Ferguson; L. Peart, A. W. Torrible; A. N. Other, H. Brokenshire, Bonham, S. MacNider, J. E. Wilson, Lt. Prior, J. E. H. Cogan, and R. Watson.

SERVICES' MATCH TO-DAY.

The South Wales Borderers "A" fifteen will meet a team from the Small Ships at Sookunpoo to-day at 4.30 p.m. when they will be represented by the following:—

Hamilton; Gould, Constant, Ford, Simmons; Hosking, Lewis; Stephens, Gilmore, Jones, Evans, Birch, Suter, Lloyd, and Whelan.

Home Football Fixtures For Saturday

FIRST DIVISION

ASTON VILLA	v. Blackburn
Bolton	v. WEDNESDAY
CHELSEA	v. Manchester C.
Everton	v. Arsenal
LIVERPOOL	v. Birmingham
LEICESTER	v. West Bromwich
Middlesbrough	v. Leeds
NEWCASTLE	v. Derby
PORTSMOUTH	v. Sunderland
Sheffield U.	v. Everton
WOLVES	v. Blackpool

SECOND DIVISION

BRADFORD	v. Notts C.
Burnley	v. Swansea
Charlton	v. SOUTHPTON
Grimsby	v. FULHAM
M.CHESTER U.	v. Lincoln
NOTTS P.	v. Millwall
OLDHAM	v. Chesterfield
PLYMOUTH	v. Port Vale
Preston	v. BRADFORD C.
Stoke	v. Barnsley
TOTTENHAM	v. West Ham

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

ADDERSHOT	v. Torquay
Brighton	v. COVENTRY
Bristol R.	v. Brentford
CARDIFF	v. Clapton
CRYSTAL P.	v. Newport
Gillingham	v. Bournemouth
NOTWICH	v. Bristol C.
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CRICKET CHAMPIONS' LEAGUE TEAMS

**Premier Side To Visit
King's Park.**

The Indian Recreation Club are playing their second League Cricket match of the season on Saturday when they meet the Royal Navy, who forced the Kowloon team to a draw last week-end.

The champions will be at full strength, and it is understood that the Navy will be strengthened by the inclusion of Lt. Comdr. Shaw.

The following will represent the I.R.C. on the King's Park ground:—
A. A. Rumjahn (captain), F. D. Pereira, A. H. Rumjahn, A. E. Madar, A. T. Minu, A. K. Minu, S. A. Lemali, J. S. A. Carreem, H. D. Rumjahn, A. Bakar and T. Hamet.

Reserve: A. Rahmin.
2nd XI v. Navy at Sookunpoo.
M. R. Abbas (captain), A. R. Abbas, F. M. el Arculli, M. el Arculli, A. R. H. Esmail, A. K. Ismail, S. Ismail, K. Nazarin, A. K. Sufiad, A. S. Sufiad, and A. M. Rumjahn.

RECREIO SOCCER TEAM.

The following players have been selected to represent the Club de Recreio in their First Division Soccer League match against the Police on Saturday at King's Park at 4 p.m.:—

W. Ogley; R. Silva-Netto, M. Oliveira; J. Gomes, F. Santos, G. A. Guterres; V. Marques, L. Rocha; B. Assumpcao, C. Figueiredo and A. Ribeiro.
Reserve: M. Xavier.

STEEL COULSON'S BILLIARDS.

**Cruz Gives Palace
Lucky Win.**

**ST. PATRICKS MAKE CLEAN
SWEEP WITH C.P.O.'S.**

Only two matches were played last week in the Steel Coulson's Billiards League. St. Patrick's Club, winning all their games against the Garrison Sergeants' Mess and the Palace Hotel Club, taking two points from the C. & P.O.'s Club.

All the St. Patrick's players were on form, though S/Sgt. Clarke gave M. Silva a fright, leading by 40 at the hundred mark.

Though winning only two of the six games played, the Palace Hotel beat the C. & P.O.'s Club on aggregate, thereby annexing the major points. It was mainly through a big win by S. Cruz, who beat C.P.O. Greenwell 150-88 that they were triumphant.

Results:—

St. Patrick's Club	150	Clarke	116
Silva	150	Jordan	38
Remedios	150	Parguhar	80
Eapitito	150	Turney	142
Remedios	150	Dyer	51
Gill	150	Robinson	93
Hodge	150		
	900		656

Palace Club C. & P.O.'s Club

Remedios	137	Taylor	150
Beltrao	150	Jenkins	108
Peslra	145	P. Leat	150
Culyer	117	Sarwar	150
Cruz	150	R. Greenwell	88
Bower	129	Davoy	150
	828		776

League Table Games

P.W.L.F.A.Pts.	
St. Patrick's Club	4 0 16 6 32
S.W.B. Sgts' Mess	3 3 0 15 9
Palace Hotel Club	4 3 1 11 13 8
Police Club	3 2 1 11 7 5 4
R.A. Sgts' Mess	3 1 2 9 9 5 4
Garrison	
Sergeants' Mess	4 1 3 16 15 8
C. & P.O.'s Club	4 0 4 10 14 1
T.E. Sgts' Mess	3 0 3 4 14 0

CAPTAIN'S CUP AT FANLING.

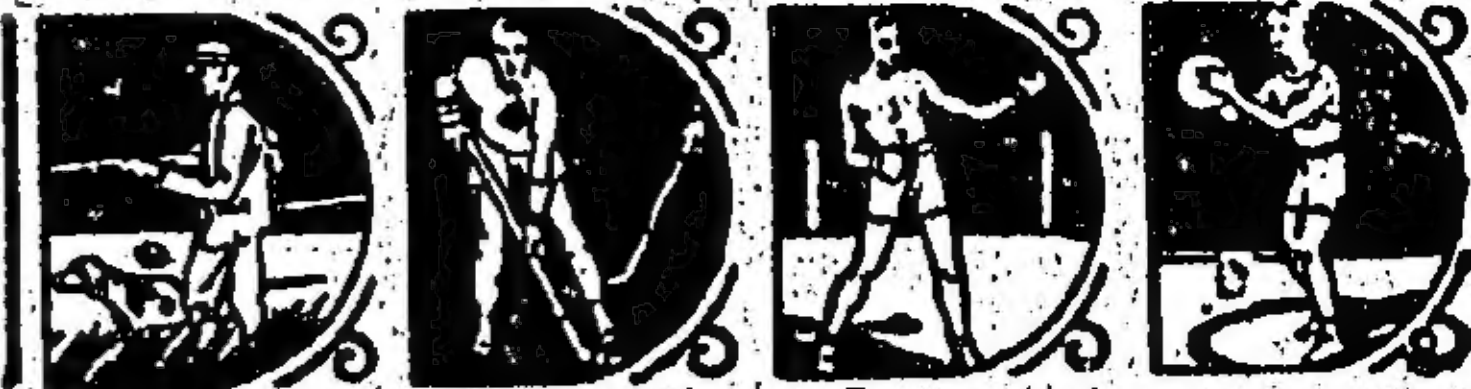
The Draw.

The draw for the Captain's Cup, 1932, of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club is as follows:—

H. Hampton (11)	v. C. C. Stark (7)
G. F. Hole (15)	v. H. W. Dankes (19)
T. Megarry (14)	v. H. H. Mundy (12)
A. Leach (9)	v. H. C. Gould (14)
S. T. Butlin (11)	v. J. B. Mackie (10)
H. W. Duller (18)	v. A. T. Lay (6)
T. C. McLaughan (10)	v. H. H. Pethick (14)
D. S. Edwards (4)	v. S. A. Sleep (16)



SPORT PAGE



Good Card to Conclude Macao Race Season

Mr. G.U. da Roza Should
Win on The Plover

ELEVEN ENTRIES FOR LADIES' EVENT

(By Ajax.)

THE closing meeting of the year will be held by the Macao Jockey Club at the Area Preta on Sunday when a programme of seven races, including an unofficial event and the Ladies Race will be staged. The special travelling facilities will again be in operation by the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company.

The first race on the card is the six furlong Ascot Handicap with a field of seven entries. Prestwick is one of the ponies who will probably not run here. It is more probable that he will be out in the last race of the day. Drian, Mr. G. H. Pott's entry, looks the most likely thing in the race. This pony won at the last meeting over the same distance and against the same field, and should not have much difficulty in repeating his

performance. Tien Feng Shan looks a likely thing for a place in spite of the fact that he has too weight. Guiding Star is not as fit as he might be, and he was badly beaten at Macao in November.

THE PLOVER TO WIN.

Wonderful Stag is due for a win, and he will be running in the Haydock Park Plate over seven furlongs. Taking into consideration the form shown by The Plover at the Valley last Saturday, I do not think the Stag pony can win, but he should be strongly supported for a place. The Plover should win in a canter, and will be ridden by Mr. G. U. da Roza. Mr. Chanson will be riding Just Imagine in the same race, while Mr. A. W. da Roza will probably ride Powerful King. Cebu is entered with Mr. F. M. L. Soares in the saddle.

With only five entries, the Australian ponies' race, the Perthshire Handicap seems a certainty for Canny, with Mr. A. W. da Roza in the saddle. But After That is another entry to watch, and he may be ridden by Mr. Frost. He is equally certain of a place. Joaquim is the third selection on present form.

MR. L. R. B. TUXFORD, one of the most promising of the Novice jockeys, will not be riding at Macao on Sunday, but the rumour that he was experiencing a recurrence of an old leg injury was dispelled when he told the China Mail this morning that he was quite fit.

Tin Tac and Anniversary Eve are the two remaining entries; the latter will be ridden by Mr. Black. Neither, however, will be well supported for a place, the Eve pony being far from fit.

ANOTHER FOR GALLANT FOX?

The Alexandra Park Handicap, for "E" class ponies, has one of the best fields of the day, and if Christmas Belle starts here he will probably be reserved for the Ladies' Race; he should win. Banjolina and Gallant Fox are in good shape, and in view of the latter's fine win on Saturday, he is worthy of support. Until Then will be a non-starter. Mr. Soares will probably be out on Cabinet Hall, a pony to watch.

It will not be surprising to see Mr. Caplan bring home Wakefield for a win in the fifth event, the Gosforth Handicap. Mr. Caplan has a happy knack of finishing well on the Macao course and he has not a great deal of opposition. Many of the ponies in this event are entered elsewhere, but Valley Hall will be one starter. Mr. A. W. da Roza may take The Plover may be out in this event instead of the second race, and if so he will probably win.

Eleven ponies have been entered for the Ladies' Race, but I think only about half this number will start. Christmas Belle will be ridden by Miss Scott Harston, who will probably register her second consecutive win. Miss Lois Fearon will be up on Until Then. Mrs. Frost will not be riding.

The Lingfield Handicap, 1 1/4 miles, will witness an upset of form, owing to the distance, but I do not think it will prevent Venturous from coming in to win. There are only seven entries, three of which will probably be out in other races. New King, Mr. Caplan's mount, is carrying joint top weight of 165 lbs. with Venturous, and should be placed.

ENTRIES FOR MACAO MEETING

The following are the entries and handicaps for the 6th Extra Race Meeting, to be held at Macao on Sunday:

The Ascot Handicap, Six Furlongs—Allwell (144lb), Dashaway (148), Drian (152), Genghis-Khan (140), Guiding Star (143), Prestwick (156) Tien Feng Shan (156).
The Haydock Park Plate, Seven Furlongs—Alexandra Hall (153), Bluelove (158), Cebu (149), Cloudy Eve (158), Gold Mine (161), Golden Star (155), Just Imagine (161), Maple Leaf (161), Powerful King (161), Tommy Boy (158), The Plover (161), Wonderful Stag (158).
The Perth Handicap, Seven Furlongs—Anniversary Eve (135), But After That (160), Canny (165), Joaquim (140), Tin Tac (146).
The Alexandra Park Handicap, One Mile, "E" Class—Banjolina (160), Blue Plane (140), Buchanan (148), Cabinet Hall (155), Christmas Belle (159), Country Club (146), Cupid (155), Estrellita (149), Gallant Fox (165), Much Ado (147), Public Money (150), Pure Music (152), Sanction (153), Tien Feng Shan (143), Until Then (143), Valeta (155), Venturous (160).

The Gosforth Handicap, One Mile, "D" Class—Alexandra Hall (147), Bluelove (147), Cebu (140), Gold Mine (143), Golden Star (144), Just Imagine (150), Orlando (151), Powerful King (153), Snappy Eve (147), Tommy Boy (145), The Plover (155), Valley Hall (140), Wakefield (159), Wembley Stag (165), Wonderful Stag (150).

The Ladies' Race (Unofficial), Once Round—Banjolina (145), Christmas Belle (145), City of Shanghai (145), Cupid (145), Dyan (145), Estrellita (145), Gallant Fox (145), Much Ado (145), Toby (145), Until Then (145), Whoopee (145).
The Lingfield Handicap, 1 1/4 Miles—Blue Plane (140), Dashaway (140), New King (165), Prestwick (147), Pure Music (152), Tien Feng Shan (147), Venturous (165).

MISS BOLTON PROGRESSING SATISFACTORILY.

Leaving Hospital Next Week.

Miss Enid Bolton, who sustained a fractured collar-bone, when thrown from her pony during the paper-chase at Fanning recently, is reported to be getting on well, and is expected to be discharged from the Matilda Hospital early next week.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS NOW ON THEIR WAY

Second Batch of 40
Leave Hailar.

BETTER CLASS PONIES.

NEWS has been received at the Jockey Club to the effect that the second batch of subscription griffins are now on their way to the Colony.

It will be recalled that they were held up at Hailar owing to the uncertain state of the country, but during a lull in the proceedings up North Mr. Mordovitch has been able to hasten the departure of this second batch of 40 ponies ordered by the Jockey Club. It is good to hear that Mr. Mor-

RACING BOY SOLD

H.S. Chan Stable
Changes Hands.

MR. S. W. TANG NEW OWNER.

RACING BOY, and, it is understood, the remainder of the H. S. Chan racing stable, have been sold to Mr. S. W. Tang, and although no figures are available, it is believed that the sum is very considerable. The two other ponies are Pocahontas and Pride of Tsingtao.

Racing Boy is the most successful pony that has been seen on the Hong Kong turf this season. This pony has won nine races and has only been unplaced on one occasion this year. He has, in addition, three third places to his credit. Many critics have gone so far as to say that he is the best subscription griffin during the last ten years.

Pocahontas has won four races, and taken two second and one third place out of fourteen races this year. Pride of Tsingtao, who has not been raced as much as his stable companions, has won one race and taken a second place and three third places, being unplaced on only one occasion.

dovitch considers them to be a better batch than the first lot which arrived here about a month ago. This sounds very encouraging as the last batch were considered to be well above average.

MR. R. M. DYER DOES NOT STAND FOR RE-ELECTION.

Twelve Years As A Steward.

Mr. R. M. Dyer, a former Steward of the Jockey Club, is probably never coming back to the Colony.

The Stewards of the Jockey Club telegraphed to England to enquire whether Mr. Dyer desired to stand for re-election as a Steward and received a reply in the negative.

Mr. Dyer thus concludes 12 years' service as a Steward of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

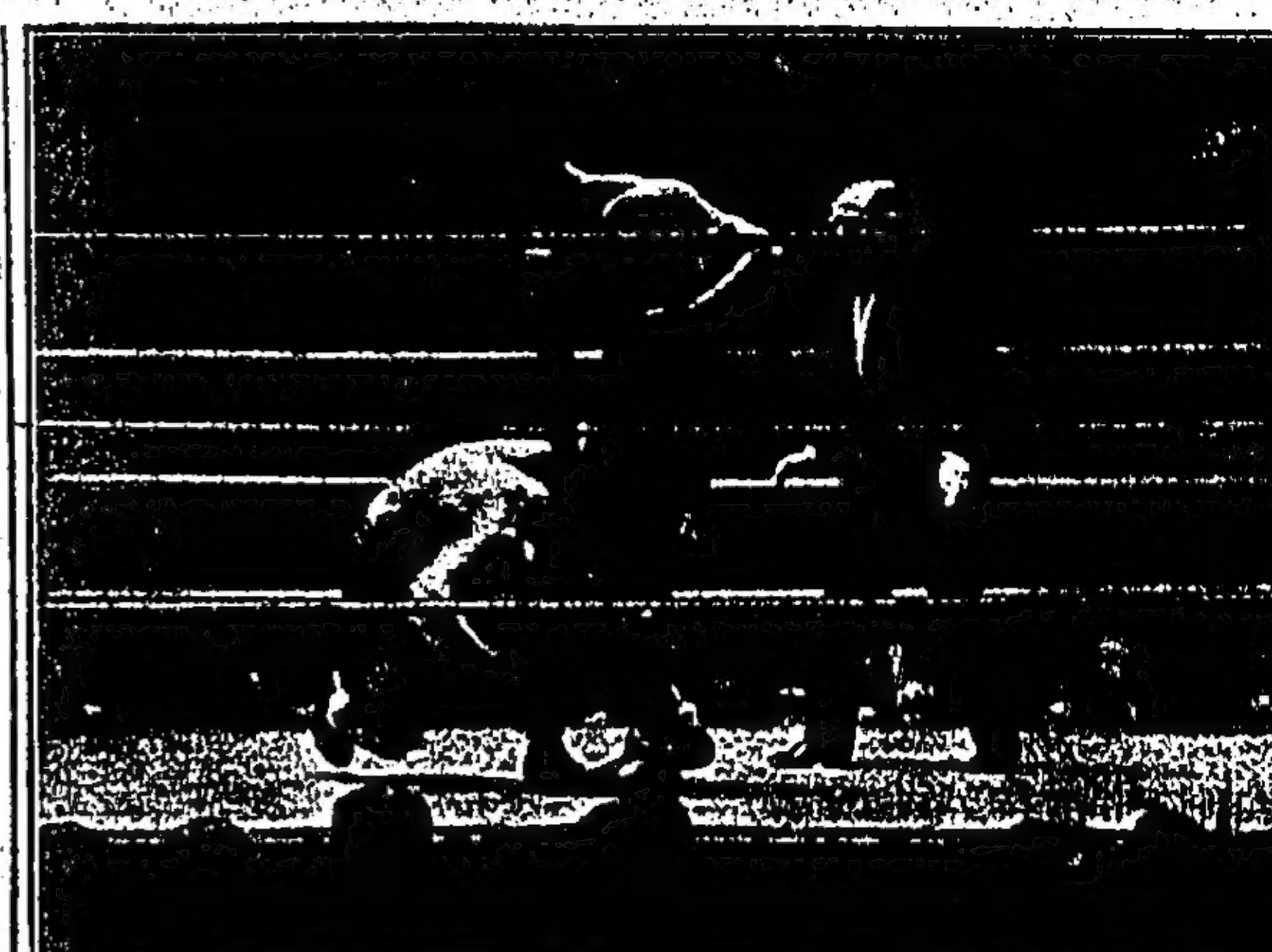
MACAO JOCKEY CLUB LOSS.

Extension Of
Stables.

A loss of \$17,000, mainly due to heavy expenses and the loss of a draft of ponies in Shanghai, is shown on the balance sheet of the Macao Jockey Club for the 1932 season.

Another contributory cause to the loss was the outbreak of meningitis in Macao, which caused the cancellation of one meeting.

A piece of land has been granted to the Macao Jockey Club for the extension of stables which have been erected to shelter the 19 subscription ponies which arrived recently. Another six ponies are expected shortly.



JACK DOYLE won by a knock out in the second round in his ten round contest against Molse Bouquillon at the Albert Hall. He himself took three long counts in the first round. The above picture shows Doyle after the final knock out blow—Bouquillon falling to the boards.

FROST HAS 51 WINS

Complete Figures For
The Year.

BUTLER'S ADVANCE.

The following is the complete record to date for every jockey who has taken part in the 1932 season's Race Meetings at Happy Valley, since the Annual Meeting, which commenced on February 20:

	1st	2nd	3rd	Un.	T
L. G. Frost	51	30	22	63	166
S. N. Fan	19	20	18	82	139
*Y. S. Chang	17	11	8	36	72
G. U. da Roza	13	13	12	64	102
E. O. Butler	12	13	18	97	140
A. W. da Rosa	9	9	13	83	114

Shanghai jockeys.

POLAR STAR NEAR WOODLAND STAG WITH 5 WINS

How Australian Ponies
Fared During 1932.

THE GIRAFFE'S POSITION.

The following are the complete records to date of all Australian ponies which have been entered for Race Meetings at Happy Valley during the 1932 season, which commenced on February 20:

Woodland Stag

1st 2nd 3rd Un.

Polar Star

Season Ticket

Wolfs

Kilrea

Lucey Olters

The Grange

Frisar Tuck

But After That

City of Melbourne

Sundlight

Manna

Mermaid

Anniversary Eve

Joachim

Zadderday

Changite

Frederick

The Rainbow

Evening Star

The Rainstorm

Westland Stag

Canny

The Raindrop

Choy Pak

Aurora

Tin Tac

Gold Digger

Talping

Elwood

Erfa

Kok-Nor

Pegasus

Robertbridge

Roadster

Silver Star

Thunderclap

St. Morris

Moan Star

Patricia Hall

Sakima

The Woodcock

Calamity Jane

Yaraman

Ben Hur

Gold Rush

Vesta

Miss Jummy

Betha

Salaver

Seagrass

The Wilgosa

Lung Mai

The Baron

COLONY BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Distinguished Entry.

Local cueists are reminded that the closing date for entries for the Hong Kong Individual Billiards Championship, competition is Saturday.

A number of entries have been received, among them being A. Osmund, holder of the Colony Championship; A. Cottle, winner of the British Army Championship 1922/23; A. Jarman, Billiards and Snooker Champion of the Hong Kong Army; L. Remedios of St. Patrick's Club; E. Pollard of the Royal Engineers; and other well known players.

Entries should be forwarded to Mr. E. Jarman, Secretary, St. Patrick's Club, Garden Road, Hong Kong, accompanied by the entrance fee (\$1.00).

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KERRIGAN AND THE BLACKMAILERS

(Continued from page 7.)

"You old darling," she murmured, and Peter just remembered in time not to protest against being called old.

"Now listen," said Peter, "I'll go home and I'll make up two packets to look like pound notes. You slip them into the letter-box to-night, and I'll do the rest."

"What will you do?"

"Wait in here for our friend, and sock him one."

"But they must be real notes," exclaimed the girl. "Suppose the man gets away from you, and finds that the packets are full of blank sheets, we shall be ruined."

"Yes, that's true," said Kerrigan, thoughtfully.

"You must put in real notes. You see that, don't you?" Her face was full of a tragic anxiety.

"Yes, I see that. Very well. Meet me to-night at six o'clock sharp," he mentioned a West-End hotel, "and I'll have the packets ready."

The girl was punctual to the moment, and Kerrigan thought she was looking more beautiful than ever. He handed over the two packets of bank-notes with final instructions to slip them into the box of 121, Portarlington-grove at 9 p.m. precisely. He himself took up his position, knuckle-dusters and gas-piping ready in a cupboard in the hall of the huge mausoleum. Anyone removing a package from the letter-box would present an exceedingly convenient target.

Nine o'clock struck and the quarter past, and nothing happened. At twenty past the flap of the letter-box changed sharply, but instead of two packets of bank-notes, only a single sheet of paper was slipped through, on which was scrawled in pencil, "I have been robbed by a gang of larrikins."

The plan of campaign had come unstuck. Kerrigan's money was gone.

The young man stared at the pencil-scribble and scratched the back of his head ruefully. He had been completely outgeneraled by the blackmailer. Very thoughtfully he went back to his lodging in Half Moon-street.

Exactly a fortnight later he got another type-written letter demanding a thousand pounds, to be placed in the Portarlington-grove house in the same way as before. Peter Kerrigan brightened. His eye sparkled and his spirits rose. Here was his chance to get even with the man, and he proposed to do it with a smashing blow that would settle the blackmailer for good and all. Whistling gaily, Kerrigan put his skeleton-keys into his pocket and set out to make his plans. He spent the whole day among the narrow side-streets of the shadier parts of Clerkenwell and Hoxton. He visited at last, three alley-ways down which no policeman would go alone, and went into one house which belonged to a well-known murderer. It was not till five o'clock that evening that he got what he was looking for, and the clocks of Kensington were striking six when he drove up to the back-door of the house in Portarlington-grove in a hired van and proceeded to carry numerous bulky packages through the garden and down into the cellar of the house. He spent some time in the cellar before driving away again.

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2ND NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

LLOYD TRIESTINO LINE.

Steamer "CONTE ROSSO"
From Trieste, Venice, Brindisi,
Port Said, Bombay, Colombo
and Singapore.

With reference to our Notice to Consignees in this Paper dated 2nd instant, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that the cargo shortlanded has now been returned by the same vessel from Shanghai and has been landed into the godowns of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon. Delivery may be obtained on presentation of their Short-Delivery Memo.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
As Agents.

Hong Kong, 12th December, 1932.

LLOYD TRIESTINO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Motor Vessel

"FUSIJAMA"

From TRIESTE, VENICE, BRINDISI,
PORT SAID, SUEZ, MASSAUA,
ADEN, KARACHI, BOMBAY,
COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE
via SAIGON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, or carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 22nd inst. or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

In the case of dutiable cargo, Consignees are requested to inform the Imports & Exports Office that they have such goods for examination.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hong Kong, 7th December, 1932.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at Manila on December 11 (Sun.) at 8 a.m., left Manila yesterday at 4 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong to-morrow at 9 a.m. She leaves for Vancouver via ports on December 16 (Fri.) at noon.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia left Yokohama on December 10 (Sat.) at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on December 19 (Mon.). She leaves for Hong Kong on December 31 (Sat.).

The P. & O. s.s. Ranchi left Singapore for this port on December 10 at noon with the outward English Mails, and is due here on December 15 at about 3 a.m.

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"TANTALUS" 17th Dec. For Victoria, Seattle and Vancouver.

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		1933.	
*SOUDAN	8,800	7th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre.
*MIRZAPUR	8,700	14th Jan.	H'burg, R'dam, A'werp & Hull.
RANCHI	17,000	14th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CARTHAGE	14,000	28th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BURDWAN	8,100	4th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre.
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RAJPUTANA	17,000	25th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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		1932.	
TALMA	10,000	18th Dec.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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The gross receipts of the Rose Day and last Sunday's Bazaar in aid of the funds of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are expected to amount to about \$21,500.

The Committee desire to convey their grateful thanks to all who assisted in making the Bazaar so successful, as it could be expected, considering the prevailing conditions; to the many generous contributions to the general fund of the Fete; to the Ladies; and various Stores; and to the Convents and Firms who sent souvenirs and prizes for the different stalls; the Rev. Fathers of the Italian Mission for the use of the Cathedral Compound; the Hong Kong Electric Light Company for Illumination; the Public Works Department for the loan of Flags; the Hong Kong Tramway Company, Star Ferry Company, Hong Kong Hotel Garage, Peak Tramway, China Motor Bus Company, Kai Tak Motor Bus Company, Kowloon Motor Bus Company for advertising facilities; the Dairy Farm Company for various prizes for the Guessing Competitions and for running the Farm Yard; Mr. U. Rummahn for use of the Drum for the Motor Car Draw, Police Department for excellent police arrangements; Fire Brigade; Comrade Department of Hong Kong Bank for the loan of shroffs for the Bazaar Bank and for arranging for the conveyance of the takings to the Bank after the Fete; Hong Kong Boy Scouts for the good services rendered; Club Lusitano for crockery; and all others, not here mentioned, who contributed in any way towards the success of the Fete, and to Messrs. Xavier Brothers for procuring the Toys without commission, the St. Louis Industrial School for its Band and the Press for their courtesy and help; finally, and one of the most important, the loan of two "Chutes" by Commander Morris, R.N. of H.M.S. "Tamar."

Results.

Motor Car Draw:—Motor Car, Ticket No. 1984, Mr. A. V. Pearce, I. & E. Dept. Harbour Office.

Consolation prizes:—Tickets No. 2819, Mr. J. Parkinson, Harbour Office; 3204, Mr. H. Wong, 52 Village Road; 2228, Mr. W. Naughton, Central Police Station; 679, Mr. C. Mutton, s.s. "Wine On"; 3259, Miss Ellis, Claremont House.

American Raffles:—1st Drawing:—Doll, Peggy Silva; Doll, H. Ohi; Eureka Set, H. Wither Lo; Game, Helen Ma; Game, Molly.

2nd Drawing:—Doll, Leo Lewis; Doll House, Chas. Motham; Donkey, E. Friss; Game, Rev. J. O. Donovan; Game, A. J. Triggs.

3rd Drawing:—Doll, Reggie Yen; Doll, J. Eusebia; Eureka Set, E. Tse; Game, John Pomeroy; Game, A. Tse.

4th Drawing:—Doll, Dr. P. Chan; Doll, Mr. Look See; Eureka Set, Wong (B. A. T.); Game, B. R. France; Game, De Souza.

American Stall (Special):—1st Drawing:—Punch Bowl, C. Whitehead; Punch on Wheel, L. Well; Doll, Arthur A. Alves; Game, E. Landau; Game, A. H. Marcel.

2nd Drawing:—Doll, Ines d'Assumpcao; Doll, J. Cavanagh; Eureka Set, Arthur A. Alves; Set Kitten, H. T. Buxton; Game, J. Lee.

3rd Drawing:—Doll, R. Leon; In Cradle, G. Gilbert; Eureka Set, Hilda Gan; Box Blocks, Frank d'Almada e Castro; Pair Babies, E. J. Azmus.

4th Drawing:—Doll, J. M. Silva; Doll, C. Sapper; Cake Stand, F. D. Tracey; Counter, B. Butter; Game, A. L. Brisset.

5th Drawing:—Doll, Miss M. C. Braga; Doll, Lam Pak-wai; Eureka Set, H. Dixon; Xmas Tree, J. M. Xavier; Game, Mrs. E. L. Ym.

6th Drawing:—Doll, Mrs. Wood; Doll, Capt. Wood; Tea Set, J. Lourenco; Ping Pong Set, S. Y. Shan; Eureka Set, F. Maloot.

Prizes for Raffle at Children of Mary's Stall:—Nos. 867, Gloria Remedios (a 42 piece China Tea Set); 46, C. H. Bayto (Canadian Bug); 272, Hilda Chan; 197, E. Xavier; 363, H. L. Yung; 116, W. E. Meadow; 117, J. R. Walter; 886, M. J. Gaan; 957, O. Carvalho; 709, M. Xavier; 142, Flo Nunes; 105, Matilda Tam; 128, J. P. Xavier; 112, G. H. Katschun; 193, M. Mahan Singh (Dolls).

Doll Raffle:—Nos. 28, Amalia d'Assumpcao; 21, Dr. B. de Souza; 88, F. A. Dixon; 18, Ines d'Assumpcao.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

RADIO NOTICE.

XLT Telegrams conveying Christmas and New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Government Radio Office for transmission via Radio during the period from December 14 1932 to January 6 1933, both dates inclusive.

(a) The charge for telegrams to Shanghai and Coast Ports will be based on one quarter the ordinary rate and to other places on one-third the ordinary rate.
(b) The Minimum charge for all places will be for ten words. Full particulars may be had on application to the Radio Office.

INWARD MAILS.

	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14.
Swatow	Van Heutz
Japan	Bengal Maru
Manila	Empress of Japan
	THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15.
Batavia	Tjibadak
Shanghai and Amoy	Suiyang
Calcutta and Straits	Talpa
Calcutta and Straits	Kutaang
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers)	London, November and Parels, November 10 Ranchi
	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16.
Japan	Yamagata Maru
Japan and Shanghai	Ranpura
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, Nov. 28.)	Pres. Jefferson
	MONDAY, DECEMBER 19.
Manila	President Lincoln
Straits	Machaon
	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20.
Shanghai	Sarpedon
Shanghai	Chenonceaux

OUTWARD MAILS.

	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14.
Manila	Keemun
Fort Bayard	Wing Lee
Amoy	Tai Yuan
	THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Deli Maru
Straits	Van Heutz
Haiphong	Canton
Swatow	Hydrangea
Amoy	Kiungchow
Shanghai and Japan	Ranchi
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U. S. A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C., and Europe via Siberia	Empress of Japan
	(Due Vancouver B.C., Jan. 8, 1933.)
	Parcels Dec. 15, 6 p.m.
	Registration Dec. 16, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters, Dec. 16, 10 a.m.
	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16.
Amoy	Tjibadak
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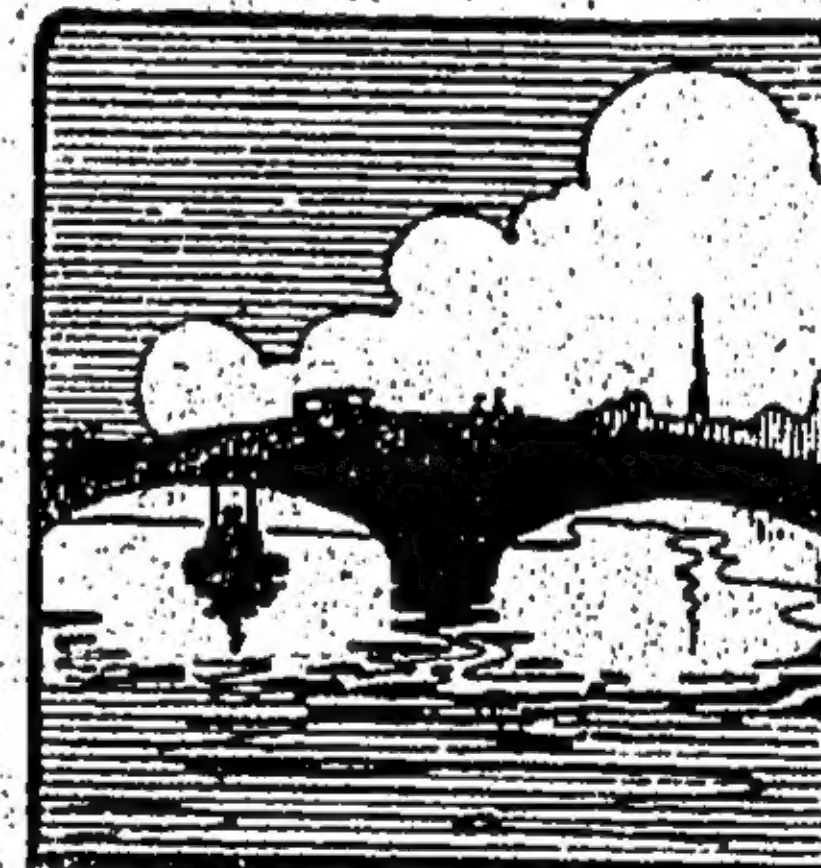
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desert of exile where
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See her, the only
cool, clean thing
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Kwangsi Factory
Functioning.

Established under the joint
capitals of the Governments of
Kwangtung and Kwangsi, the sul-
phuric acid factory erected in
Kwangsi has now been completed
and is already functioning.
Mr. Chun Wu, an ex-Vice-Min-
ister of Agriculture and Commerce
in the Kwangsi Government, has
been given the post of manager.
He returned from Germany some
three months ago with the very
latest machinery, which when
working produces seven tons of
sulphuric acid a day, and enough
to supply the whole of China.
China's supply of the acid was
previously got from Japan.

DR. WONG ACCEPTS
NANKING POST.

Dr. Wong Sun-yim M.Sc., Ph.D.,
lecturer of pharmacology at the
University of Hong Kong, has re-
ceived a telegram from the Central
Government at Nanking, offering him
the post of lecturer on national de-
fence chemicals at the Central Uni-
versity, Nanking.
The China Mail was informed
that Dr. Wong has accepted the post,
and will leave for Nanking shortly.

Britain Firm
As Willing
Debtor

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Consequently assuming that
this view was concurred in by
the other Governments concern-
ed, suspension of reparations
and war debts would remain in
force, but all rights of the Bri-
tish Government under exist-
ing agreements would be inte-
grally reserved.

Answering a supplementary ques-
tion as to whether France had
agreed to pay Britain \$12,000,000 a
year irrespective of payments from
Germany, the Chancellor said an
agreement with France provided
that the payments were due to Bri-
tain quite irrespective of any pay-
ments received from Germany by
France.

He also stated there was nothing
incompatible between American
willingness to consider revision of
war debts with a view to world's
recovery and the arrangement made
at Lausanne, which in his opinion
was an essential preliminary.

He added "We are entitled and
we intend, if so able, to make a se-
parate settlement with the United
States."

LITTLE PRINCESS
LEARNS GRACE.
Starts Dancing
Class.

London.
Princess Margaret, the two-year-
old daughter of the Duke and
Duchess of York, is already attend-
ing her first dancing lessons.

Accompanied by her elder sister,
Princess Elizabeth, she goes to a
West-end dancing class where she
is being taught rhythmical walk-
ing and movement to music. The
idea of the lessons is to teach her
and the other children the founda-
tions of a graceful carriage and
good deportment. She may, of
course, be a queen some day, and
the secrets of a "queenly bearing"
are being installed in her at this
early age.

No such thoughts are in the
mind of the baby princess however.
She gets highly excited as, with
blonde curls flying, she marches
up and down with the other boys
and girls to the tune of nursery
rhymes played on a gramophone.—
Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The weather is expected to keep
fresh and fine, with the wind in the
North-East, states today's weather
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